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Sequoyah Fuels Corporation ATTN: Dr. John C. Stauter

Director, Nuclear Licensing

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Gentlemen:

On January 4, 1986, an accident occurred at the Sequoyah Fuels Corporation (SFC) uranium hexafluoride production facility in Gore, Oklahoma, that resulted in the death of one plant worker and injuries to several others. The United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission review of the causes of the accident, the responses to the accident, the effects of the accident on public health, safety and the environment, and corrective actions to prevent similar accidents from happening, have been extensive and are continuing.

One component of the NRC's review of this accident has been to identify actions that NRC and its licensees might reasonably take to improve protection of the public health and safety. One part of this review was performed by a lessons learned group which issued the attached report, "Release of UF₆ From A Ruptured Model 48Y Cylinder at Sequoyah Fuels Corporation Facility: Lessons Learned Report," (NUREG-1198).

This report is being provided to you at this time so that you may become aware of areas where the staff is considering improvements. Although activities conducted under your materials license(s) may not be similar to those of SFC, you are among the materials licensees required to have a radiological contingency plan. Your specific attention is directed to recommendations concerning radiological contingency plans. Should you desire further information, you may contact Michael Kearney (telephone 301-427-4152).

Your early consideration of the Lessons Learned recommendations is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by Richard E. Cunningham

Richard E. Cunningham, Director Division of Fuel Cycle and Material Safety, NMSS

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