



DOW CHEMICAL U.S.A.

February 13, 1975

BARSTOW BUILDING  
2020 DOW CENTER  
MIDLAND, MICHIGAN 48640

Mrs. Kitty Dragonette  
Materials Branch  
Source Material Licensing  
U. S. Atomic Energy Commission  
Washington, D. C. 20545

Dear Mrs. Dragonette:

AEC LICENSE NUMBER STB-527 AMENDED  
DOCKET NO. 40-17

We would like to request an amendment to our AEC License No. STB-527 amended, for the storage and extrusion of magnesium billets, containing 3% thorium, up to 10,000 pounds. There could be a maximum of 300 pounds of thorium at any one time. This request will apply only to our Aurora, Colorado plant at 3555 Lima Street, which we want to add to our authorized places of use now on our license.

The handling of the magnesium with thorium and the equipment and facilities used to protect health and property will be the same as outlined in our Applications for Source Material license dated February 23, 1968 and January 31, 1973. (copies attached)

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

W. Otis Heath  
Company Statistician  
2020 Dow Center  
Phone: 517-636-5714

Enc.

3/27 - Called Mr. Heath  
Use + storage exclusively  
in Colorado - Name address  
of Colorado staff given

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UNITED STATES ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION

APPLICATION FOR SOURCE MATERIAL LICENSE

Pursuant to the regulations in Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter 1, Part 40, application is hereby made for a license to receive, possess, use, transfer, deliver or import into the United States, source material for the activity or activities described.

1. (Check one) <input type="checkbox"/> (a) New license <input type="checkbox"/> (b) Amendment to License No. _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (c) Renewal of License No. <u>STB-527</u> <input type="checkbox"/> (d) Previous License No. _____	2. NAME OF APPLICANT The Dow Chemical Company
	3. PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ADDRESS Midland, Michigan 48640

4. STATE THE ADDRESS(ES) AT WHICH SOURCE MATERIAL WILL BE POSSESSED OR USED  
Midland & Bay City, Michigan; Madison, Illinois

5. BUSINESS OR OCCUPATION Chemical & Magnesium Production	6. (a) IF APPLICANT IS AN INDIVIDUAL, STATE CITIZENSHIP	(b) AGE
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7. DESCRIBE PURPOSE FOR WHICH SOURCE MATERIAL WILL BE USED  
Storage purposes only.

8. STATE THE TYPE OR TYPES, CHEMICAL FORM OR FORMS, AND QUANTITIES OF SOURCE MATERIAL YOU PROPOSE TO RECEIVE, POSSESS, USE, OR TRANSFER UNDER THE LICENSE

(a) TYPE	(b) CHEMICAL FORM	(c) PHYSICAL FORM (Including % U or Th.)	(d) MAXIMUM AMOUNT AT ANY ONE TIME (in pounds)
NATURAL URANIUM			
URANIUM DEPLETED IN THE U-235 ISOTOPE			
THORIUM (ISOTOPE)	Thorium Compounds Metal, etc. Oxide or fluoride	97% as pure pellets 3% as Mg alloy	150,000 lbs. 1,000 "
(e) MAXIMUM TOTAL QUANTITY OF SOURCE MATERIAL YOU WILL HAVE ON HAND AT ANY TIME (in pounds)			201,300 lbs.

9. DESCRIBE THE CHEMICAL, PHYSICAL, METALLURGICAL, OR NUCLEAR PROCESS OR PROCESSES IN WHICH THE SOURCE MATERIAL WILL BE USED, INDICATING THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF SOURCE MATERIAL INVOLVED IN EACH PROCESS AT ANY ONE TIME, AND PROVIDING A THOROUGH EVALUATION OF THE POTENTIAL RADIATION HAZARDS ASSOCIATED WITH EACH STEP OF THOSE PROCESSES.  
Storage purposes only. Maximum amount to be stored, 201,300 pounds.

10. DESCRIBE THE MINIMUM TECHNICAL QUALIFICATIONS INCLUDING TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE THAT WILL BE REQUIRED OF APPLICANT'S SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL INCLUDING PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR RADIATION SAFETY PROGRAM (OR OF APPLICANT IF APPLICANT IS AN INDIVIDUAL).  
Health Physicists, Chemical Engineers, Chemists, Radiation Safety Program under direction of H. R. Hoyle, Chemist, with 30 years' experience in safety, industrial hygiene and health physics.

11. DESCRIBE THE EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES WHICH WILL BE USED TO PROTECT HEALTH AND MINIMIZE DANGER TO LIFE OR PROPERTY AND RELATE THE USE OF THE EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES TO THE OPERATIONS LISTED IN ITEM 9; INCLUDE: (a) RADIATION DETECTION AND RELATED INSTRUMENTS (including film badges, dosimeters, counters, air sampling, and other survey equipment as appropriate. The description of radiation detection instruments should include the instrument characteristics such as type of radiation detected, window thickness, and the range(s) of each instrument).  
Health Physics program includes use of film badges, survey instruments both ionization chamber & Geiger tube, air sampling equipment and proportional counter. Equipment used to check working conditions insuring compliance with 10 CFR 20 and our own regulations.

(b) METHOD, FREQUENCY, AND STANDARDS USED IN CALIBRATING INSTRUMENTS LISTED IN (a) ABOVE, INCLUDING AIR SAMPLING EQUIPMENT (for film badges, specify method of calibrating and processing, or name supplier).  
Survey meters are calibrated with a radium source each six months. Air sampling equipment calibrated before each use. Film badge service is from R. S. Landauer, Jr. & Co.

11(c). VENTILATION EQUIPMENT WHICH WILL BE USED IN OPERATIONS WHICH PRODUCE DUST, FUMES, MISTS, OR GASES, INCLUDING PLAN VIEW SHOWING TYPE AND LOCATION OF HOOD AND FILTERS, MINIMUM VELOCITIES MAINTAINED AT HOOD OPENINGS AND PROCEDURES FOR TESTING SUCH EQUIPMENT.

Material to be stored in well ventilated area to avoid thoron plus daughters buildup.

12. DESCRIBE PROPOSED PROCEDURES TO PROTECT HEALTH AND MINIMIZE DANGER TO LIFE AND PROPERTY AND RELATE THESE PROCEDURES TO THE OPERATIONS LISTED IN ITEM 9; INCLUDE: (a) SAFETY FEATURES AND PROCEDURES TO AVOID NONNUCLEAR ACCIDENTS, SUCH AS FIRE, EXPLOSION, ETC., IN SOURCE MATERIAL STORAGE AND PROCESSING AREAS.

Standard storage conditions as in storage of hazardous chemicals.

(b). EMERGENCY PROCEDURES IN THE EVENT OF ACCIDENTS WHICH MIGHT INVOLVE SOURCE MATERIAL.

Standard chemical fire control procedures will be followed. Thorium expected to remain essentially in the ashes and can be safely and easily cleaned. Radiation survey equipment as listed in #11(a) will help minimize hazards to workmen and to help minimize spread of contamination in the event of an emergency.

(c) DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF RADIATION SURVEY PROGRAM AND PROCEDURES.

Equipment listed in #11(a) used for surveys to assure no change in storage conditions. No unusual procedures to be followed.

13. WASTE PRODUCTS: If none will be generated, state "None" opposite (a), below. If waste products will be generated, check here  and explain on a supplemental sheet:

- (a) Quantity and type of radioactive waste that will be generated. None
- (b) Detailed procedures for waste disposal.

14. IF PRODUCTS FOR DISTRIBUTION TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC UNDER AN EXEMPTION CONTAINED IN 18 CFR 40 ARE TO BE MANUFACTURED, USE A SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET TO FURNISH A DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PRODUCT, INCLUDING:

- (a) PERCENT SOURCE MATERIAL IN THE PRODUCT AND ITS LOCATION IN THE PRODUCT.
- (b) PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PRODUCT INCLUDING CHARACTERISTICS, IF ANY, THAT WILL PREVENT INHALATION OR INGESTION OF SOURCE MATERIAL THAT MIGHT BE SEPARATED FROM THE PRODUCT.
- (c) BETA AND BETA PLUS GAMMA RADIATION LEVELS (Specify instrument used, date of calibration and calibration technique used) AT THE SURFACE OF THE PRODUCT AND AT 12 INCHES.
- (d) METHOD OF ASSURING THAT SOURCE MATERIAL CANNOT BE DISASSOCIATED FROM THE MANUFACTURED PRODUCT.

### CERTIFICATE

(This item must be completed by applicant)

15. The applicant, and any official executing this certificate on behalf of the applicant named in Item 2, certify that this application is prepared in conformity with Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 40, and that all information contained herein, including any supplements attached hereto, is true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

The Dow Chemical Company

(Applicant named in Item 2)

BY:

W. Otis Heath  
Company Statistician

(Title of certifying official authorized to act on behalf of the applicant)

Dated January 31, 1973

WARNING: 18 U.S.C. Section 1001; Act of June 25, 1948; 62 Stat. 749; makes it a criminal offense to make a willfully false statement or representation to any department or agency of the United States as to any matter within its jurisdiction.