

July 7, 2011

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Enclosed is the Commission Order that explains the bases for denying the hearing requests and petition to intervene. The Order also directs NRC staff to issue the import and export licenses.

Thank you for your participation in the license application review process. Additional information about the NRC export/import licensing program can be found at <http://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/ip/export-import.html>. If you have additional questions on this matter, please contact Ms. Jennifer Tobin Wollenweber at (301) 415-2328; jennifer.tobin@nrc.gov or Ms. Brooke Smith at (301) 415-2347; brooke.smith@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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