

August 22, 2012

Mr. Jim Davis, Director
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SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL
IMPACT STATEMENT FOR THE PROPOSED INTERNATIONAL ISOTOPES
FLUORINE PRODUCTS FACILITY IN LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Dear Mr. Davis:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has prepared the "Final Environmental Impact Statement for Proposed International Isotopes Fluorine Products Facility in Lea County, New Mexico" (NUREG-2113).

On December 30, 2009, International Isotopes Fluorine Products, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of International Isotopes, Inc., submitted a license application that proposes the construction, operation, and decommissioning (under a separate NRC licensing action) of a fluorine extraction and depleted uranium deconversion facility to be located in Lea County, New Mexico. As part of the review of the application, the NRC has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The Final EIS includes an analysis of relevant environmental issues, and documents the NRC staff's determination regarding the potential environmental impacts from the construction, operation, and decommissioning of the proposed uranium processing facility. In preparing the Final EIS, the NRC staff reviewed, considered, evaluated and addressed the comments received on the Draft EIS, including comments provided by your office in a letter dated February 17, 2012. Appendix F of the Final EIS presents the comments received on the Draft EIS and the NRC's responses to those comments.

Enclosed is the Final EIS on a compact disc (CD).

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If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Mr. Asimios Malliakos, Project Manager, by phone at 301-415-6458, or by e-mail at Asimios.Malliakos@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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