

August 13, 2012

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SUBJECT: LICENSE AMENDMENT APPLICATION TO PROCESS UNCERTIFIED UF₆
CYLINDERS

We have received your letter (Ref. 1) dated July 6, 2012, transmitting the application for a license amendment to process uncertified UF₆ cylinders. The submittal has been assigned Technical Assignment Control Number L33227. Please reference this number in any future correspondence associated with this submittal.

Our acceptance review to date has identified a deficiency that prevents us from accepting the application for detailed review. Specifically, the application does not discuss how Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Part 51 is addressed. As discussed in a pre-application meeting (Ref. 2), the application for a categorical exclusion under § 51.22(c)(11) must address four points:

- (i) significance of change in the types or amounts of any effluents that may be released offsite,
- (ii) significance of change in individual or cumulative occupational radiation exposure,
- (iii) significance in change of construction impact, and
- (iv) significance in change in the potential for or consequences from radiological accidents.

Points (i) through (iii) appear to be straightforward. In point (iv), Westinghouse Electric Company, LLC, would have to demonstrate that the performance requirements of § 70.61 are still met. If you revise the application by August 31, 2012, we will accept it for detailed review.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rule of Practice," a copy of this letter will be available electronically for public inspection in the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Public Document Room or from the Publicly Available Records System component of the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html> (the Public Electronic Reading Room). However, the enclosure contains sensitive, unclassified information—and is therefore deemed Official Use Only. It will not be placed in the Public Document Room, nor will it be publicly available in ADAMS.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 301-492-3189, or via e-mail to Christopher.Ryder@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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Docket No. 70-1151
License No. SNM-1107

References:

1. Letter from D. Precth, Westinghouse Electric Company, LLC, Westinghouse License Amendment Request," LTR-RAC-12-57, July 6, 2012. ADAMS Accession Number ML121910584.
2. Memorandum to Robert K. Johnson, NRC, from Christopher Ryder, NRC, "Westinghouse Columbia Fuel Fabrication Facility Meeting Summary," May 3, 2012. ADAMS Accession Number ML121150356.

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