

October 24, 2012

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SUBJECT: QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM APPROVAL FOR RADIOACTIVE
MATERIAL PACKAGES NO. 0170, REVISION 10

Dear Mr. Krause:

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If you have any questions, please contact me at 301-492-3294 or Frank Gee at 301-492-3329.

Sincerely,

/RA/ R Temps for
Eric Benner, Chief
Rules, Inspections, and Operations Branch
Division of Spent Fuel Storage and Transportation
Office of Nuclear Material Safety
and Safeguards

Docket No.: 71-0170

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**QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM APPROVAL
FOR RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL PACKAGES**

1. APPROVAL NUMBER

0170

REVISION NUMBER

10

Pursuant to the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974, as amended, and Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter 1, Part 71, and in reliance on statements and representations heretofore made in Item 5 by the organization named in Item 2, the Quality Assurance Program identified in Item 5 is hereby approved. This approval is issued to satisfy the requirements of Section 71.101 of 10 CFR Part 71. This approval is subject to all applicable rules, regulations, and orders of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission now or hereafter in effect and to any conditions specified below.

2. NAME GE- Hitachi Nuclear Energy Americas, LLC		3. EXPIRATION DATE November 30, 2022
STREET ADDRESS 6705 Vallecitos Road		4. DOCKET NUMBER 71-0170
CITY Sunol	STATE ZIP CODE CA 94586	

5. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM APPLICATION DATE(S)
July 30, 1999; July 16, 2004; July 22, 2009; and October 10, 2012

6. CONDITIONS
1. Activities conducted regarding transportation packagings are to be executed under applicable criteria of 10 CFR Part 71, Subpart H. Authorized activities include: design, procurement, fabrication, assembly, testing, modification, maintenance, repair, and use of transportation packagings.
 2. Records shall be maintained in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR Part 71. Specifically:
 - a. Records of each shipment of licensed material shall be maintained for 3 years after that shipment [10 CFR 71.91(a)].
 - b. Records providing evidence of packaging quality shall be maintained for 3 years after the life of the packaging [10 CFR 71.91(d)].
 - c. Records describing activities affecting packaging quality shall be maintained for 3 years after this Quality Assurance Program Approval is terminated [10 CFR 71.135].
 3. Planned and periodic audits of all aspects of the Quality Assurance Program shall be conducted in accordance with written procedures or checklists, by appropriately trained personnel not having direct responsibility in the areas being audited, in accordance with 10 CFR 71.137.
 4. This Quality Assurance Program Approval is applicable to 10 CFR Part 71 packaging and transportation activities occurring at the following location:

GE-Hatachi Nuclear Energy Americas, LLC (Vallecitos Operation)
6705 Vallecitos Road
Sunol, CA 94586

FOR THE U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

SIGNATURE / /RA/ R Temps for	DATE 10/24/2012
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