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In the Matter of
SEQUOYAH FUELS CORPORATION
GENERAL ATOMICS
Docket No. 40-8027-EA

Dear Mr. Duncan:

This is to confirm our telephone conversation of yesterday morning concerning the NRC Staff's responses to General Atomics' First Set of Interrogatories and First Request for Production of Documents to the NRC Staff, dated August 24, 1994.

As I explained to you, certain key members of the NRC Staff have been or will be unavailable for consultation for extended periods of time due to inspection assignments not related to this case and other duties. Moreover, office reorganizations and reassignments over the past six years has made the task of locating all personnel who may have relevant information more difficult. Accordingly, we have agreed that the Staff will submit responses to General Atomics' interrogatories on September 30, 1994, and responses to the document production request on October 20, 1994.

By this letter I am also confirming that in connection with this proceeding, counsel for the NRC Staff does not represent the Commissioners themselves or their staff assistants. In addition, I would point out that there are restrictions against securing evidence from an individual Commissioner. See 10 C.F.R. § 2.720(h). In view of the foregoing, the NRC Staff's responses to General Atomics' discovery requests will be limited to information obtainable from the NRC Staff and not the Commissioners or their assistants.

Sincerely,

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