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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO AMENDMENT REQUEST LETTER

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) received your letter dated September 12, 2013 requesting to amend NRC specific license number 42-29335-01 to authorize the possession and use of two Subsea Multiphase Flow Meters Model SS-MPM Series containing cesium 137 sealed sources. The corresponding sealed source and device registration certificate for this device, certificate number TX-1351-D-101-B, indicates that the device can be licensed either as a specific licensed device or general licensed device. Your letter dated November 15, 2013 indicates that the devices will be licensed as general licensed devices. Therefore, based on your response, your amendment request letter dated September 12, 2013 is being voided without prejudice since there is no need to amend NRC specific license number 42-29335-01.

Please note that the NRC's regulatory requirements governing general licensed devices are found in Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 31 (www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/cfr/part031/). Section 31.5 requires that general licensed devices containing at least 10 millicuries of cesium 137 be registered with the NRC and pay the required annual fee. The two Subsea Multiphase Flow Meters Model SS-MPM Series require registration with the NRC. Enclosed is NRC Form 664, "General License Registration," for you to complete. A pdf version of NRC Form 664 can be found at www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/forms/nrc664.pdf. Also note that Appendix K of NUREG-1556, Volume 16, provides a summary of regulatory requirements that general licensees need to follow. Appendix K can be found at: <http://pbadupws.nrc.gov/docs/ML0101/ML010120151.pdf>.

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In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the NRC's document system (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

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