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United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, DC 20555-0001

**SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING FINANCIAL QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE RINSC REACTOR LICENSE RENEWAL (TAC NO. ME1598)**

Mr. Boyle,

Attached is the response the request for additional information (RAI) regarding financial qualification for the Rhode Island Nuclear Science Center (RINSC) reactor license renewal dated January 9, 2014.

The response includes two enclosures. Enclosure 1 is the SOI letter from the Chairman of the Rhode Island Atomic Energy Commission (RIAEC) which now includes the decommissioning cost estimate. Enclosure 2 is the appointment letter from the Governor of Rhode Island to the Chairman of the RIAEC.

Respectfully,

Cameron Goodwin, PhD, Director  
Rhode Island Nuclear Science Center

I certify under penalty of perjury that the representations made above are true and correct.

Executed on: 1/24/14

By: Cameron Goodwin

Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation  
United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, DC 20555-0001

January 22, 2014

Subject: Statement of Intent Re: Letter dated January 9, 2014 Docket No. 50-193

Mr. Boyle,

As Chairman of the Rhode Island Atomic Energy Commission (RIAEC), a Rhode Island State government organization, I exercise express authority and responsibility to request, as necessary, from the Rhode Island Legislature through the Governor's budget process, external and direct cost funds for decommissioning activities associated with operations authorized by U.S. Nuclear Regulatory License No. R-95. The estimated decommissioning costs are approximately \$30 million. This authority is established by Title 42, Chapter 27 of the laws of Rhode Island and delegated to me by the Governor in my appointment letter. Title 42, Chapter 27, Section 2 specifically states:

Powers and duties of commission. –

(a) It shall be the duty of the Rhode Island atomic energy commission:

- (1) To make studies as to need, if any, for changes in laws and regulations administered by any agency of the state that would arise from the presence within the state of special nuclear materials and by-product materials and from the operation herein of production or utilization facilities, and, on the basis of those studies, to make such recommendations to the governor and the general assembly for the enactment of laws or amendments to laws or the promulgation of regulations as may appear necessary and appropriate;
- (2) To advise the governor and the general assembly with respect to atomic industrial development within the state;
- (3) To coordinate the development and regulatory activities of the state relating to the industrial and commercial uses of atomic energy;
- (4) To cooperate with the federal Atomic Energy Commission and with like commissions or agencies of the other states in all matters relating to the purposes herein set forth;
- (5) To contract for, construct, and operate a nuclear reactor within the state for the purpose of research, experimentation, training personnel, testing of materials and techniques, and for such other purposes related thereto which the commission shall deem necessary for the health, welfare, and economy of the people of this state; and in this respect to cooperate with and make available, under proper safeguards, the use of the reactor by the colleges, universities, and industries of this state and to contract for and engage engineers, technicians, and other assistance.

(b) The commission may select a director of the commission and may charge fees for the use of reactor facilities.

Within this authority, I intend to request that funds be made available when necessary to decommission the research reactor at the Rhode Island Nuclear Science Center located at 16 Reactor Road, Narragansett, Rhode Island. I would request and seek to obtain these funds as sufficiently in advance of decommissioning as possible to prevent the delay of required

activities. A copy of my appointment letter is enclosed as evidence that I am authorized to represent the State of Rhode Island in this transaction.

Respectfully,



Clinton Chichester, PhD, Chairman  
Rhode Island Atomic Energy Commission

I certify under penalty of perjury that the representations made above are true and correct.

Executed on: Jan 22, 2014 By: Clinton Chichester