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SUBJECT: ISSUANCE OF EXEMPTION FROM PORTIONS OF TITLE 10 OF THE *CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS* PART 73.51(d)(3) FOR THE PRAIRIE ISLAND INDEPENDENT SPENT FUEL STORAGE INSTALLATION (TAC NO. L24750)

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If you have any questions, please contact me at (301) 415-9956, or Dr. Pamela Longmire of my staff, at (301) 415-7564.

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