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**SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY, REVIEW OF FINANCIAL ASSURANCE
SUBMITTAL, CONTROL NO. 585471**

Dear Col. Bodrick:

We have reviewed the documents submitted with your letters dated January 26, 2015, and August 31, 2015, to meet the financial assurance requirements for your license. We have no further questions at this time.

The following documents currently provide your financial assurance:

Statement of Intent dated August 31, 2015 [ML15247A127]

Certification of Financial Assurance and Decommissioning Funding Plan Cost Estimate submitted with the letter dated January 26, 2015 [ML15042A200]

We will return the original copies of superseded documents under separate cover.

Your organization uses a Decommissioning Funding Plan (DFP) to determine the amount of financial assurance necessary to fund all decommissioning activities. Regulations set forth in 10 CFR 40.36(d)(2) require that, at the time of license renewal and at intervals not to exceed three years, the DFP must be resubmitted with adjustments as necessary to account for changes in costs and the extent of contamination. Your currently approved DFP was submitted on January 26, 2015; therefore, your DFP must be re-submitted on or before January 26, 2018.

If the amount of financial assurance will be adjusted downward, this cannot be done until the updated DFP is approved by NRC. The DFP must update the information submitted with the original or prior approved DFP, and must specifically consider the effect of the following events on decommissioning costs: (1) spills of radioactive material producing additional residual radioactivity in onsite subsurface material; (2) waste inventory increasing above the amount previously estimated; (3) waste disposal costs increasing above the amount previously estimated; (4) facility modifications; (5) changes in authorized possession limits; (6) actual remediation costs that exceed the previous cost estimate; (7) onsite disposal; and (8) use of a settling pond.

M. Bodrick

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Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Original signed by Steve Courtemanche

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