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U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

**CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE  
FOR SPENT FUEL STORAGE CASKS**

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The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission is issuing this Certificate of Compliance pursuant to Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 72, "Licensing Requirements for Independent Storage of Spent Nuclear Fuel and High-Level Radioactive Waste" (10 CFR Part 72). This certificate is issued in accordance with 10 CFR 72.238, certifying that the storage design and contents described below meet the applicable safety standards set forth in 10 CFR Part 72, Subpart L, and on the basis of the Final Safety Analysis Report (FSAR) of the cask design. This certificate is conditional upon fulfilling the requirements of 10 CFR Part 72, as applicable, and the conditions specified below.

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Safety Analysis Report Title

Holtec International Inc., Final Safety Analysis Report for the HI-STAR 100 Cask System  
Docket No. 72-1008

**CONDITIONS**

This certificate is conditioned upon fulfilling the requirements of 10 CFR Part 72, as applicable, the attached Appendix A (Technical Specifications) and Appendix B (Approved Contents and Design Features), and the conditions specified below:

**1. CASK**

The HI-STAR 100 Cask System is certified as described in the Final Safety Analysis Report (FSAR) and in NRC's Safety Evaluation Report (SER) accompanying the Certificate of Compliance. It is designed for both storage and transfer of irradiated nuclear fuel.

**a. Model No.: HI-STAR 100 (MPC-24, MPC-32, MPC-68, MPC-68F)**

The HI-STAR 100 Cask System is comprised of the multi-purpose canister (MPC), which contains the fuel, and the overpack, which contains the MPC. The two digits after the MPC designate the number of reactor fuel assemblies for which the respective MPCs are designed. The MPC-24 is designed to contain up to 24 Pressurized Water Reactor (PWR) fuel assemblies. The MPC-32 is designed to contain up to 32 PWR fuel assemblies. The MPC-68 is designed to contain up to 68 Boiling Water Reactor (BWR) fuel assemblies. Any MPC-68 containing fuel assemblies with known or suspected defects, such as ruptured fuel rods, severed rods, loose fuel pellets, or which cannot be handled by normal means due to fuel cladding damage, is designated as MPC-68F. The MPC-24, the MPC-32, and the MPC-68 (including the MPC-68F) are identical in external dimensions and will fit into the same overpack design.

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## 1. b. Description

The complete HI-STAR 100 Cask System for storage of spent nuclear fuel is comprised of two discrete components: the MPC and the storage/transport overpack. The HI-STAR 100 CASK System consists of interchangeable MPCs which constitute the confinement boundary for BWR or PWR spent nuclear fuel and an overpack which provides the helium retention boundary, gamma and neutron radiation shielding, and heat rejection capability. All MPCs have identical exterior dimensions which render them interchangeable. A single overpack design is provided which is capable of storing each type of MPC.

The HI-STAR 100 MPCs are welded cylindrical structures with flat ends. Each MPC is an assembly consisting of a honeycombed fuel basket, a baseplate, canister shell, a lid, and a closure ring. The outer diameter and cylindrical height of each MPC is fixed. However, the number of spent nuclear fuel storage locations in each of the MPCs depends on the fuel assembly characteristics. The MPC provides the confinement boundary for the stored fuel. The confinement boundary is a seal-welded enclosure constructed entirely of a stainless steel alloy. The inner surfaces of the HI-STAR 100 overpack form an internal cylindrical cavity for housing the MPC. The outer surface of the overpack inner shell is buttressed with intermediate shells of gamma shielding.

The fuel transfer and auxiliary equipment necessary for Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation operation are not included as part of the HI-STAR 100 Cask System reviewed for a Certificate of Compliance under 10 CFR Part 72, Subpart L. Such equipment may include, but is not limited to, special lifting devices, transfer trailers or equipment, and vacuum drying/helium leak test equipment.

## 2. OPERATING PROCEDURES

Written operating procedures shall be prepared for cask handling, loading, movement, surveillance, and maintenance. The user's site-specific written operating procedures shall be consistent with the technical basis described in Chapter 8 of the SAR.

## 3. ACCEPTANCE TESTS AND MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

Written cask acceptance tests and maintenance program shall be prepared consistent with the technical basis described in Chapter 9 of the SAR.

## 4. QUALITY ASSURANCE

Activities in the areas of design, procurement, fabrication, assembly, inspection, testing, operation, maintenance, repair, modification of structures, systems and components, and decommissioning that are important to safety shall be conducted in accordance with a Commission-approved quality assurance program which satisfies the applicable requirements of 10 CFR Part 72, Subpart G, and which is established, maintained, and executed with regard to the cask system.

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**5. HEAVY LOADS REQUIREMENTS**

Each lift of a HI-STAR 100 spent fuel cask must be made in accordance with the existing heavy loads requirements and procedures of the licensed facility in which the lift is made. A plant-specific safety review (in accordance with 10 CFR 50.59 or 10 CFR 72.48, if applicable) is required to show operational compliance with existing plant-specific heavy loads requirements.

**6. APPROVED CONTENTS**

Contents of the HI-STAR 100 Cask System must meet the fuel specifications given in Appendix B to this certificate.

**7. APPROVED DESIGN FEATURES**

Features or characteristics for the site or cask must be in accordance with Appendix B to this certificate.

**8. CHANGES TO THE CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE**

The holder of this certificate who desires to make changes to the certificate, which includes Appendix A (Technical Specifications) and Appendix B (Approved Contents and Design Features), shall submit an application for amendment of the certificate.

**9. AUTHORIZATION**

The HI-STAR 100 Cask System, which is authorized by this certificate, is hereby approved for general use by holders of 10 CFR Part 50 licenses for nuclear reactors at reactor sites under the general license issued pursuant to 10 CFR 72.210, subject to the conditions specified by 10 CFR 72.212, and the attached Appendix A and Appendix B.

FOR THE U. S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
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Office of Nuclear Material Safety  
and Safeguards

## Attachments:

1. Appendix A
2. Appendix B