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MEMORANDUM TO: Victor M. McCree
Executive Director for Operations

FROM: Stephen D. Dingbaum */RA/*
Assistant Inspector General for Audits

SUBJECT: STATUS OF RECOMMENDATIONS: AUDIT OF NRC'S
IMPLEMENTATION OF ITS NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL
POLICY ACT RESPONSIBILITIES (OIG-14-A-09)

REFERENCE: DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF NUCLEAR MATERIAL SAFETY
AND SAFEGUARDS, MEMORANDUM DATED OCTOBER
29, 2015

Attached is the Office of the Inspector General's (OIG) analysis and status of the recommendation as discussed in the agency's response dated October 29, 2015. Based on this response, recommendation 1 is closed. All recommendations to this report are now closed.

If you have questions or concerns, please call me at 415-5915 or Sherri Miotla, Team Leader, at 415-5914.

Attachment: As stated

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Audit Report

AUDIT OF NRC'S IMPLEMENTATION OF ITS NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT RESPONSIBILITIES

OIG-14-A-09

Status of Recommendations

Recommendation 1: Develop and implement detailed guidance for fuel cycle and uranium recovery staff regarding inclusion of license conditions and tie downs in licenses.

Agency Response Dated
October 29, 2015:

NRC staff from the Uranium Recovery Licensing Branch (URLB) and the Division of Fuel Cycle Safety and Environmental Review (FCSE) has developed and issued guidance on writing license conditions and tie downs in licenses. URLB staff has incorporated the guidance into the Division Operations Manual. FCSE staff has revised its Project Manager Licensing Review Handbook. Staff in each organization has been made aware of the availability of the guidance. Note that the NRC's position on inclusion of license conditions with no direct nexus to the Atomic Energy Act is described in a *Federal Register* notice (FRN) announcing the finalization of NRC's regulations related to the National Environmental Policy Act. Specifically, the FRN stated that "In addition, the Commission will continue its practice of including conditions in its licenses to assure that it is kept knowledgeable about other environmental matters involving its licensees" (49 FR 9352, specifically 49 FR 9360).

OIG Analysis: The actions taken by the agency meet the intent of the recommendation. The recommendation is therefore considered closed.

Status: Closed.