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**SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY, REVIEW OF FINANCIAL ASSURANCE
SUBMITTAL, CONTROL NO. 589616**

Dear COL. Bilynsky:

We have reviewed the Decommissioning Funding Plan dated November 30, 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:

Certification of Financial Assurance submitted in letter dated November 30
[ML15356A557]
Statement of Intent dated November 30, 2015 [ML15356A557]
Decommissioning Cost Estimate submitted in letter dated November 30, 2015
[ML15356A557]

Your organization uses a Decommissioning Funding Plan (DFP) to determine the amount of financial assurance necessary to fund all decommissioning activities. 10 CFR 30.35(e)(2) requires 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 November 30, 2015; therefore, your DFP must be re-submitted on or before November 30, 2018. 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. If the amount of the financial assurance instrument will be adjusted to match the DFP, this cannot be done until the updated DFP is approved by the NRC. If the financial assurance instrument is revised (amended) to change the amount of

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financial assurance obligated, then you will need to also submit a revised Certificate of Financial Assurance (CFA) with the new amount.

We will return the original copies of superseded documents under separate cover.

Sincerely,

Original signed by Dennis R. Lawyer

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