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Mike Nikolai
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Dear Mr. Nikolai:

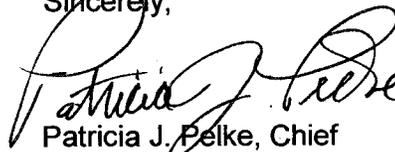
Thank you for your letter dated July 18, 2016, informing us about the impending corporate restructure within Hitachi Metals America Holdings, Inc., the parent company of Waupaca Foundry, Inc., which holds NRC License No. 48-15031-01. Based on our review of this matter, including consultation from our Regional Counsel, we have concluded that this business transaction will not result in a change of control of Waupaca Foundry, Inc.

Your letter dated July 18, 2016, indicated that this transaction is planned to occur on or about October 1, 2016. Since no changes are expected that will affect the Waupaca Foundry operations (other than the name of your ultimate U.S. parent company), no further action is necessary on your part. If our understanding of this matter is not correct or if the circumstances change such that changes to the license become necessary, please contact us as soon as possible so we may revisit the matter. Please contact Mr. Bryan Parker of my staff at 678-828-7050, or by e-mail at bryan.parker@nrc.gov if you have any questions regarding this matter.

The NRC's Safety Culture Policy Statement became effective in June 2011. While a policy statement and not a regulation, it sets forth the agency's *expectations* for individuals and organizations to establish and maintain a positive safety culture. You can access the policy statement and supporting material that may benefit your organization on NRC's safety culture Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/regulatory/enforcement/safety-culture.html>. We strongly encourage you to review this material and adapt it to your particular needs in order to develop and maintain a positive safety culture as you engage in NRC-regulated activities.

In accordance with Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* Section 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS), accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patricia J. Pelke". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "P" and "J".

Patricia J. Pelke, Chief
Materials Licensing Branch

License No. 48-15031-01
Docket No. 030-08461