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Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards
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Dear Mr. Lombard:

This letter is in regards to Docket No. 71-9355. The purpose of this letter is to submit National Nuclear Security Administration's (NNSA) request for the recertification of the 435-B Package, Package Identification Number USA/9355/B(U)-96, and issuance of a revision to the Model No. 435B Package's Certificate of Compliance Number 9355. This request is supported by the enclosed 435-B Package Safety Analysis Report (SAR) Revision 3.

The NNSA is responsible for the safe, secure and expeditious transportation of radioactive materials of national security interest and/or controlled by NNSA in support of U.S. nuclear weapons and nonproliferation programs. Once recertified by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and fabricated the 435-B Packages will be used by NNSA to perform its Offsite Source Recovery Program (OSRP) mission, and will enable NNSA to improve its source recovery capabilities. Therefore, NNSA requests that NRC perform an expeditious review of 435B SAR Revision 3, and requests a certificate of compliance as soon as possible.

If you have any questions please in regards to this application you can contact me at (505) 845-4607, or your staff can contact Max Barela at (505) 845-5902.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure:
435-B Transport Package Safety Analysis Report, Revision 3

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