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Mr. Richard Provencher Manager, Idaho Operations Office Department of Energy 1955 Fremont Avenue Idaho Falls, Idaho 83415

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO MATERIALS LICENSE NO. SNM-2512 FOR THE

IDAHO SPENT FUEL FACILITY INDEPENDENT SPENT FUEL STORAGE

INSTALLATION – ACCEPTANCE REVIEW

Dear Mr. Provencher:

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The staff has conducted an acceptance review of the application and determined that it contains sufficient information to begin a detailed technical review. We have established a schedule for the review. The schedule allows for the staff to complete and issue the first request for additional information (RAI) in January 2017, and a safety evaluation report and amended license in March 2017, based on DOE responding to any RAI by February 2017. If no additional information is needed, the approval may be issued by February 2017.

Please reference Docket No. 72-25 and CAC No. L25149 in future correspondence related to this licensing action. If you have any questions, please contact me at (301) 415-0606.

Sincerely,

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