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Mr. Joseph Klinger
Assistant Director
Central Midwest Interstate Low-Level
Radioactive Waste Compact Commission
2200 S. Dirksen Parkway
Springfield, IL 62703

Dear Mr. Klinger:

SUBJECT: APPLICATION FOR U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION IMPORT
LICENSE (IW034)

Enclosed for your consideration is an application dated October 20, 2016 (Enclosure), received by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) from UniTech Services Group, Inc. (UniTech), requesting a license (IW034) to import 10,000 metric tons of radioactive waste from nuclear power plants (NPPs) in Canada. The material to be imported is low-level radioactive waste consisting of tools, metals, and other solid materials.

These materials will first be received at the UniTech facility located in Morris, Illinois, and then transferred to the UniTech facility in Oak Ridge, Tennessee under the radioactive materials license issued to UniTech by the State of Tennessee. This license authorizes UniTech to sort, decontaminate, and repackage the waste for export back to its originating country under NRC license XW023 (ML17024A270).

This import application (IW034) was forwarded to the U.S. Department of State (DOS) on November 10, 2016, for assistance in notifying Canadian Government authorities of the proposed radioactive waste import in the U.S. On December 20, 2016, DOS responded, indicating that the import and export licenses appear to be consistent with the guidelines of the Joint Convention on the Safety of Spent Fuel Management and on the Safety of Radioactive Waste Management (ML17024A310).

The NRC originally published a *Federal Register* notice regarding the import license application on February 16, 2017 (ML17047A050), and updated the original notice with a correction on March 6, 2017 (ML17065A017).

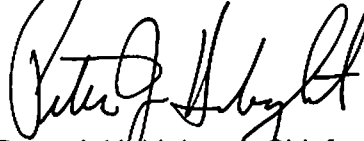
This letter is addressed to you, as you serve as both the Central Midwest Interstate compact, and the Agreement State Director for Illinois. It would be greatly appreciated if within 3 weeks of the date of this letter, you could respond with any comments you may have concerning the import license application (IW034), or if necessary, provide an estimate of how much additional time may be required to complete your review and provide a written response to NRC.

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We welcome your response by e-mail or telefax, and request that you refer to NRC license application IW032 in your response. As the NRC's point of contact for this matter, my e-mail address is Peter.Habighorst@nrc.gov and my telefax number is (301) 415-2395. If you respond by e-mail, please copy your response to Ms. Andrea Jones at Andrea.Jones2@nrc.gov. Should you have questions or require additional information, please feel free to contact me at (301) 287-9241 or Ms. Jones at (301) 287-9072.

Sincerely,



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Office of International Programs

Enclosure:
Application Dated 10/20/16
IW034 - Canada
Docket Number 11006248

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