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September 14, 2017

Mr. Scott P. Murray Manager, Facility Licensing Global Nuclear Fuel – Americas, LLC 3901 Castle Hayne Rd. P.O. Box 780 Wilmington, NC 28402

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF GLOBAL NUCLEAR FUEL – AMERICAS, L.L.C. (GNF-A) REQUEST FOR WITHHOLDING INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE

Dear Mr. Murray:

By letter dated July 28, 2017 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML17212A177), you submitted an affidavit dated July 28, 2017 (ADAMS Accession No. ML17212A178), requesting that the information contained in the following documents of the application be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Part 2, Section 2.390:

- Attachment 2 (003 M170183) GNF FeCrAl Lead Test Assemblies, RAJ-II Letter Authorization Request and Technical Basis – GNF Proprietary Information - Class II (Internal)
- Attachment 3 (004 M170183) RAJ-II Letter Authorization Supplemental Report: GNF FeCrAl Material Property Testing Results, 004N3910, July 2017, – GNF Proprietary Information - Class II (Internal)

A non-proprietary copy of the application was placed in the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC's) Public Document Room and added to the ADAMS' Public Electronic Reading Room.

In general, the affidavit states that the submitted information should be considered exempt from mandatory public disclosure for the following reasons:

- The information discloses a process, method, or apparatus, including supporting data and analyses, where prevention of its use by GNF-A's competitors without license from GNF-A constitutes a competitive economic advantage over GNF-A and/or other companies.
- The information, if used by a competitor, would reduce their expenditure of resources or improve their competitive position in the design, manufacture, shipment, installation, assurance of quality, or licensing of a similar product.

We have reviewed your application and the material in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 2.390 and, on the basis of your statements, have determined that the submitted information sought to be withheld contains proprietary commercial information and should be withheld from public disclosure.

Therefore, the version(s) of the submitted information marked as proprietary will be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR 2.390(b)(5) and Section 103(b) of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended.

If the basis for withholding this information from public inspection should change in the future such that the information could then be made available for public inspection, you should promptly notify the NRC. You also should understand that the NRC may have cause to review this determination in the future, for example, if the scope of a Freedom of Information Act request includes your information. In all review situations, if the NRC makes a determination adverse to the above, you will be notified of the date of public disclosure, in advance which will be a reasonable time thereafter.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, you may contact me at 301-415-6999.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Norma García Santos, Project Manager Spent Fuel Licensing Branch Division of Spent Fuel Management Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards

Docket No. 71-9309 CAC Nos. L25239

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