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Dear Mr. Strand:

SUBJECT: UPGRADED STANDARD TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS (STS) BASES PROGRAM
(WPPSS. 1, 2 & 4)

As you know, we initiated a program to upgrade the bases section of the STS during August 1977. We thank you for the support you have previously indicated for this program. The program has made only slight progress to date. Recently a concern was expressed regarding the applicability of license fees for amendments which may result from this upgrading program. In response to this concern, we have sought and obtained approval for exempting from fees, amendments in fee Classes I, II, and III which result directly from this upgrading program. We currently expect all amendments under this program to fall in one of these fee classes. We hope that this exemption from fees will provide additional incentive for the program. We are also notifying the reactor vendors of this fee exemption approval.

If you have any questions about the program or wish to discuss it further, please call Donald Brinkman at (301) 492-7306.

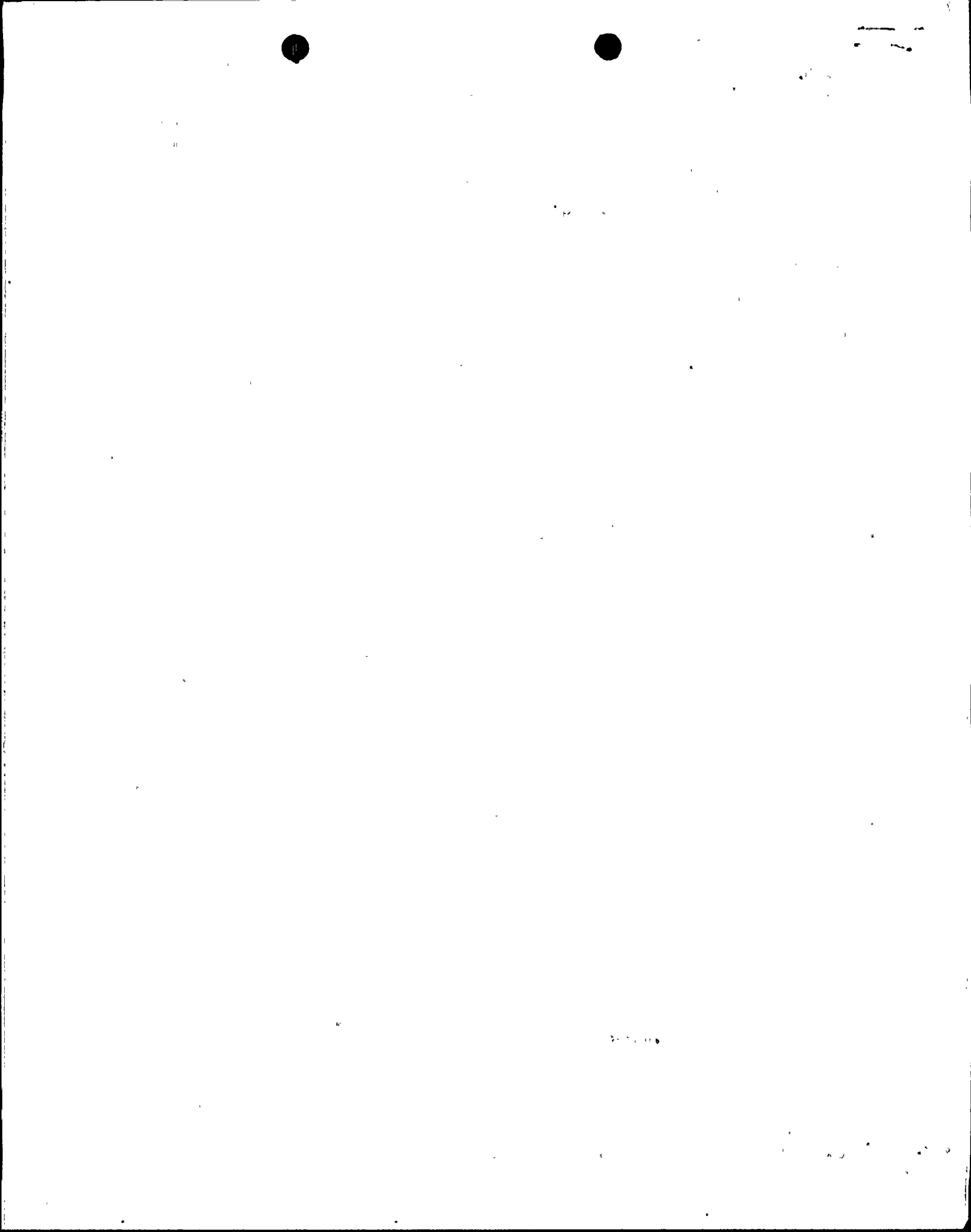
Sincerely,

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