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SUBJECT: INTERIM STORAGE PARTNERS LLC'S APPLICATION FOR A SPECIFIC INDEPENDENT SPENT FUEL STORAGE INSTALLATION LICENSE FOR THE WASTE CONTROL SPECIALISTS CONSOLIDATED INTERIM STORAGE FACILITY FOR SPENT NUCLEAR FUEL – REVISED REVIEW SCHEDULE

Dear Mr. Isakson:

By letter dated July 19, 2018 (NRC Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML18206A595), Interim Storage Partners LLC (ISP), a joint venture of Waste Control Specialists LLC (WCS) and Orano CIS LLC (a subsidiary of Orano USA), requested that the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) resume all safety and environmental review activities associated with the proposed WCS Consolidated Interim Storage Facility (WCS CISF) license application. The NRC staff reviewed your request and concluded that the revised license application provided information sufficient to resume its detailed review and provided a schedule for completing the review on August 21, 2018 (ADAMS Accession No. ML18225A281).

On May 31, 2019 (ADAMS Accession No. ML19156A059), ISP submitted a schedule for responding to the remaining requests for additional information (RAI) in support of the continued review of the WCS CISF License Application. The NRC staff has determined that due to the amount of time ISP has requested for providing responses to the staff's RAI, it will extend its previously established schedule for the review. The schedule for its safety and security review will be revised for staff to complete its final safety evaluation report by May 2021. The schedule for its environmental review will be revised for staff to publish the draft and final environmental impact statement by May 2020, and May 2021, respectively.

As we stated in our previous letter, this revised schedule continues to assume that ISP will provide timely and high-quality RAI responses within 60 days of the receipt of any future RAI letters. In accordance with the guidance in LIC-SFM-26, "Operational Strategies and Management Expectations" (ML16222A251), RAI responses, which are not received within the agreed-upon time may result in the review being delayed again or suspended. In addition, low-quality RAI responses may be deemed non-responsive and result in the suspension of the review.

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If you have any questions regarding these matters, please contact the Project Manager, Mr. John-Chau Nguyen, at (301) 415-0262 or John-Chau.Nguyen@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

/RA/

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