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Mr. Louis V. Nosenzo
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Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Nosenzo:

Thank you for your response of July 5 to several questions posed by NRC regarding India's nuclear programs and policies in connection with our consideration of export license application XSM-1379.

The recent changes in the Indian government leadership could, of course, have an important bearing on our deliberations with regard to this and other pending exports for India. Accordingly, as soon as you believe that the situation in India has stabilized sufficiently to permit the Executive Branch to assess the implications of the governmental changes, the Commission would appreciate receiving the Executive Branch's assessment of the impact of these developments on the Executive Branch analyses of March 28 and July 5 concerning the Tarapur fuel export license application, including an evaluation of the likely policy of the future Indian government with regard to nuclear explosives development.

The Commission will defer its final consideration of XSM-1379 and the related Tarapur component cases (XCOM-240 and 250) until receipt of your response to this letter. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

original signed by
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