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Mr. James R. Shea Director of International Programs United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission Room 6714 - MNBB Bethesda, Maryland

Dear Mr. Shea:

I refer to your letter dated June 1, 1979, requesting Executive Branch views as to whether issuance of an export license in accordance with the application nereinafter described would be inimical to the common defense and security of the United States and whether the proposed export meets the applicable criteria in the Atomic Energy Act, as amended by the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Act of 1978:

NRC No. XCOM0260 -- Application by Metal Bellows Corporation for authorization to export to Spain flexible metal hose cially designed and prepared for use the Lemoniz I clear Power Plant. Stal value of these parts is \$109,712.

It is the judgment of the Executive Branch that the export contemplated will not be inimical to the common defense and security of the United States, and that this export is consistent with the provisions of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended by the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Act of 1978, provided that the validity of the license does not extend beyond February 29, 1980.

Moreover, as stated in my letter to you dated January 31, 1979, it is the view of the Executive Branch that the generic assurances provided by the Spanish Government by letter to U.S. Embassy, Madrid, January 23, 1979, meet the criteria under Section 109 b. for exports of reactor components by confirming that the items specified in Appendix A of 10 CFR 110 will be included under the definition,

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"material including equipment and devices" cited in Article X of the 1974 U.S.-Spain Agreement for Cooperation, and are therefore subject to the guarantees in that article, including: 1) IAEA safeguards; 2) no nuclear explosive use; and 3) no retransfer without prior U.S. consent.

On the basis of the foregoing, the Executive Branch recommends that the license be issued.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Assistant Secretary