

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555

March 25, 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR:

William J. Dircks, Acting

Executive Director for Operations

FROM:

Samuel J. Chilk, Secreta

SUBJECT:

SECY-79-640B - APPROVAL OF A PROPOSED LICENSE TO EXPORT SOURCE MATERIAL TO FRANCE FOR ENRICHMENT (SECY-79-640A

AND 80-63)

(COMMISSIONER ACTION ITEM)

This is to advise you that the Commissioners have reviewed the subject license to Edlow International Company. The Commission (with all Commissioners approving) has accepted your recommendation to export to France 68,500 kilograms of natural uranium in the form of UF. The Commission has also noted that the staff plans to advise the Department 8f Energy that NRC has no objection to the publication of the related Federal Register Notice.

In connection with his approval, Chairman Ahearne has provided the following comments:

- "1. My understanding is that we are approving only the export to France at this time and not the export to Switzerland (see SECY-79-640A, p. 3).
- The license should be conditioned on final approval of enrichment. The letter from Mr. Nosenzo, dated February 22, 1980, states the enrichment 'has been approved'. However, the memorandum transmitting the draft Federal Register Notice dated February 28, 1980, refers to the 'proposed approval'.'

The Office of International Programs was informed of this action by telephone on March 25, 1980.

cc: Commissioners Commission Staff Offices Director, International Programs Public Document Room