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Dear Mr. Siri:

The informal proposal titled, "Application of Strategic Analysis To Nuclear Material Accounting and Safeguards," submitted with your May 29 letter to Chairman Ahearne has been referred to the Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research for review. We have read the proposal with interest and appreciate the effort you have taken to be responsive to the need of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

We are currently formulating the Nuclear Regulatory Commission requirements for research into the application of strategic analysis to safeguards. When this effort is completed we will be glad to inform you of our requirements and of our evaluation of your proposal against those requirements.

Sincerely,

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