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Mr. James R. Shea, Director Office of International Programs U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555

Subject:

Application Amendment - XCOM 240

Dear Mr. Shea:

On April 25, 1979, General Electric filed an application for a license to export to the Tarapur Atomic Power Station (TAPS) certain replacement parts and components. Attached to the application was a list of the names and values of the components for which orders were pending at that time.

The application is still under review and, in the intervening year, we have received new orders. Also, we have been able to export some of the items under XCOM 20, a previously issued license covering unspecified parts up to \$100,000 in value.

In addition to those changes, we have more closely identified some of the components as not "specially designed or specially prepared" for reactor use. For example, nuts, bolts, bushings, bearings, lamps, wire rope, rectifiers, resistors, relays and similar ordinary hardware and electrical items which could be used interchangeably in non-nuclear as well as nuclear installations are now being exported under U.S. Department of Commerce regulations, as discussed with your staff from time to time.

All of these changes are reflected in the enclosed revised list which shall amend, replace and supersede, in its entirety, that included with the April 25, 1979 application.

Through frequent Washington visits, numerous phone calls and letters, we are sure you are aware that General Electric is greatly concerned and disappointed at the Commission's delay in issuing XCOM 240 (and XCOM 250) for components -- most of which are safety-related -- urgently needed at TAPS to maintain plant equipment in a safe and effective condition.

It is hard to see how our proposed exports of replacements for worn or defective and potentially unsafe, TAPS parts could adversely affect nuclear safeguards objectives so long as TAPS operates on previously exported fuel enriched in the U.S. using nuclear safety technology also, in large part, of U.S. origin.

Please let us know if we can provide other information that could bring about Commission reconsideration and issuance of XCOM 240 and XCOM 250.

Very truly yours,

Government Relations & Export Licensing

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cc: L. V. Nosenzo

Enclosure

## GENERAL ELECTRIC ORDERS

## FOR

## TARAPUR REPLACEMENT PARTS

XCOM 240		
QTY	DESCRIPTION	APPROX. VALUE
6	Thermal Sleeve for Control Rod	\$ 12,450
2	Ion Chambers	17,500
5	Magnet Housing for Control Rod Drives	2,950
1	Ion Chamber Drive Assembly	9,680
Various	Control Rod Drive Parts	57,800
2	LRM Drive System Mount & Gear Box	7,250
1	Log Radiation Monitor	3,500
	Total Remaining	\$ 111,130
XCOM 250		
6	Traversing Incore Probes	\$ 112,000

5/8/80 BDW 80048 - Attachment (Replaces BDW 79109-Attachment April, 1979)