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Mr. R. N. Moore
Office of International Programs
Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Maryland National Bank Building
Room 8211
Washington, D.C. 20555

ISNM 80008

SUBJECT: APPLICATION FOR IMPORT LICENSES

Dear Mr. Moore:

On Ceptember 7, 1979, Union Carbide filed an application for exporting highly enriched uranium to the C.E.R.C.A. fuel fabrication plant in France to be fabricated into reactor fuel elements. This fuel, which will be used to operate the Union Carbide Nuclear Reactor at Tuxedo, New York, is necessary for the production of medical radioisotopes. The application for export license has been assigned the number SNM-1595. We hereby request that an import license be issued to Union Carbide to re-import that material along with recovered scrap material that was exported for a previous batch of fuel under export license SNM-1354.

The special nuclear material is of a nominal enrichment of 93.15% in the U-235 isotopes. The total amount requested to be imported is 10 kilograms of Uranium 235. This material will be contained in 55 MTR plate-type fuel elements. Our present schedule for importing, pending timely issuance of an export license and adherence to the projected fuel fabrication schedule, is for arrival during the first half of 1981. The material will be shipped in approved shipping containers by air cargo to the point of import and trucked from that point to the reactor site. The total amount to be imported will be divided into approximately ten equal sized shipments.

If you have any questions on this matter please feel free to call Mr. Marcus H. Voth at the reactor facility.

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