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Mr. James R. Shea Director of International Programs United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission Room 7814 - MNBB Bethesda, Maryland

Dear Mr. Shea:

I refer to the letter from your office dated May 23, 1980, requesting Executive Branch views as to whether issuance of an export license in accordance with the application hereinafter 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. XB002001 -- Application by Isotope Products Laboratories for authorization to export to Saudi Arabia .01 microgram of californium-252 in a platinum matrix for use by Department of Electric Engineering, Riyadh University, for educational experimentation.

It is the opinion of the Executive Branch that the proposed export may be made without being subject to the terms of an Agreement for Cooperation since byproduct material may be licensed under Sections 81 and 82 of the Atomic Energy Act without the prerequisite of a Section 123 Agreement. Further, it is the judgment of the Executive Branch that the byproduct material export contemplated will not be inimical to the common defense and security of the United States. A detailed analysis is believed unnecessary in view of the small quantity of material involved and the non-nuclear end-use.

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

Sincerely,

Louis V. Nosenzo

Deputy Assistant Secretary

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