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US Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555

RE: THORIUM

Dear Sir/Madam:

We are forwarding with this letter a completed copy of Form # NRC-7, "Application For License to Export Nuclear Material and Equipment".

We are called upon to supply Cerium Fluoride to our overseas subsidiaries who utilize this material in the production of electroplating additives. The only Cerium Fluoride available to us for this purpose contains a contaminant identified as Thorium representing a maximum of 1/2 of 1 percent of the total.

We anticipate an overall resale requirement from our subsidiaries of approximately 7,300lbs of Cerium Fluoride per annum. We shall appreciate your assistance in preparing a new export license. Our previous license (XTO8572) expired December 1, 1988.

Very truly yours,

M&T CHEMICALS INC.

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Export Supervisor

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