

## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

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Gentlemen:

This is in response to your letter dated June 26, 1980, which requested specific exemptions from the requirements of 10 CFR 70.58(1)(2) and 10 CFR 70.57(b)(8)(1).

We have determined that granting the requested exemptions will not endanger the common defense and security and that it is otherwise in the public interest to do so. Accordingly, effective immediately, we are adding the following license conditions to Amendment No. MPP-2 to your License No. SNM-1168:

- 4.11 Notwithstanding 10 CFR 70.57(b)(8)(i) which requires the use of representative standards for measurement calibration, the licensee may use their present contaminated oil standards to determine the U-235 content of the material described in the attachments to their letter dated June 26, 1980, provided that administrative controls are implemented which will prevent the reoccurrence of this material.
- 7.3 Notwithstanding the requirement of 10 CFR 70.58(i)(2) which limits to 12 months the storage time for items with a measurement uncertainty of greater than + 10%, the licensee shall dispose of the material described in the attachments to their letter dated June 26, 1980, no later than January 1, 1981.

We have determined that the attachments to your letter dated June 26, 1980, contain information of a type specified in 10 CFR 2.790(d). Accordingly, pursuant to Section 2.790(d)(1), such information is deemed to be commercial or financial information within the meaning of 10 CFR 9.5 (a)(4) and shall be subject to disclosure only in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR 9.12.

Sincerely,

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