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Kerr-McGee Nuclear Corporation  
ATTN: Mr. William J. Shelly  
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Gentlemen:

This letter refers to recent telephone conversations between Mr. Shelly of Kerr-McGee Nuclear Corporation (KMNC), Mr. Ralph Hayer of my staff and myself regarding License Conditions 16 and 20 of Source and Byproduct Material License No. SUA-1378

License Condition No. 20 requires KMNC to submit certain information on, and obtain NRC approval of, the solar evaporation pond design prior to construction of the pond. In addition, License Condition No. 16 requires KMNC to submit by June 8, 1980, and obtain NRC approval of a contingency plan describing corrective actions to be taken by KMNC in case of any failures of the solar evaporation pond to provide waste containment, prior to discharging any wastes into the pond. The requirements of these two license conditions were specifically noted in our April 8, 1980 letter to your Mr. Shelly transmitting Source Material License No. SUA-1378.

As discussed in our telephone conversations with Mr. Shelly, due to the oversight of KMNC not submitting the above information to the NRC by June 8, 1980, KMNC is in non-compliance with License Condition No. 16. Therefore, in order to rectify this situation, please submit an amendment request proposing a revised date for submittal and a check for an administrative amendment request by July 25, 1980.

Please note that both License Conditions 16 and 20 require not only that you submit certain plans, but also that NRC approval of the plans be obtained prior to your initiating certain activities. Therefore, in developing a proposed revised date for submittal of this information you should recognize that up to four months may be needed for us to complete our review once you have submitted this information.

Sincerely,  
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John J. Linehan, Section Leader  
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