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> Exxon Nuclear Company, Inc. ATTN: Dr. Roy Nilson, Manager Licensing Research and Technology Center 2955 George Washington Way Richland, Washington 99352

Gentlemen:

The purpose of this letter is to transmit for your information the final increment of the analysis of the effects of natural phenomena relative to your Mixed Oxide Fuel Operations at Richland, Washington. The subject increment is the analysis of the risk associated with postulated plutonium releases from your Richland, Washington plant as a result of severe natural phenomena. The NRC staff has endorsed this final version of the review for application in succeeding analyses. However, we will consider challenge of our endorsement when supported by credible technical bases.

Any questions you may have on the enclosed analysis should be addressed to James E. Aver of this Branch.

Sincerely,

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Leland C. Rouse, Chief Advanced Fuel And Spent Fuel Licensing Branch Division of Fuel Cycle and Material Safety

Enclosure:

Risk Analysis of Postulated Plutonium Releases from the Exxonilluclear Mixed Oxide Fuel Plant as a Result of High Winds and Earthquakes

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