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Dear Dr. Arnold:

This is to advise you that during the course of our development of amendments to 10 CFR Part 74, related to material control and accounting regulation for uranium enrichment, we intend to contract with Martin Marietta Energy Systems, Inc., through the Department of Energy's (DOE) Oak Ridge Operations Office, for technical assistance. This action is being taken now to assure completion of the requirements development process consistent with your proposed license application schedule.

While this is a generic rulemaking effort, it may be necessary to discuss site or process specific information with the contractor, who also will be assisting us in preparing guidance documents. At the suggestion of NRC's Division of Security to assure that Louisiana Energy Services proprietary information is not disclosed to unauthorized parties, the proposed, unclassified contract requires that the organization performing the work (Martin Marietta's International Programs Division, which is not part of the enrichment operation) not disclose any NRC-identified proprietary information, to DOE employees, contractors, or to other personnel.

If you have any questions on this matter, please call Mr. Robert L. Fonner, Special Counsel for Fuel Cycle and Safeguards Regulations, at (301) 492-1643.

Sincerely,

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