Mir. James B. Devine, Assistant Director Export/Import and International Safeguards Office of International Programs United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555

Export License XB001046 dated 10/29/79
Dear Mr. Devine:
Timex Corporation hereby requests a one-year extension of our above-referenced export license which is scheduled to expire on November 1, 1980. We would like the extension to be on the same terms and conditions as the current license, but if it would simplify the review process we are willing to accept a reduction of the total quantity of tritium from 400,000 curies to 200,000 curies and reductions in the allowable amounts exportable to Taiwan and the Philippines under the license from 200,000 curies each to 100,000 curies each. However, the individual shipment level of 5,000 curies per shipment and the limit of 50,000 curies per country per quarter should not be reduced.

Although we have since last year cut back production of watches containing sealed tritium gas luminous backlighting assemblies and we are therefore willing to accept a reduction in the allowable export levels, the uncertainty of domestic supply referred to in our attached letter of last year continues. In addition, the license may be necessary for us if we decide to transfer watch repair operations for watches containing tritium backlights from the United States to our affiliates in Taiwan or the Philippines.

We will return the original copy of our license as per 10 CFR 110.50 after it expires on November 1, 1980.

If I may be of further assistance to you in evaluating our request, please call me collect at 203-573-6369.

Yours very truly,

stephen B. Swiger:
Counsel
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