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Mr. G. F. Helfrich, Director Office of Program Implementation Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs U.S. Department of State Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Helfrich:

Enclosed please find an application from Edlow International Company for a license to export 100,000 curies of bulk tritium gas to Radiochemical Centre in the United Kingdom to be used in the production of labelled compounds for resale purposes.

Before taking action on this license application, we would appreciate your views, in accordance with established procedures and from the overall perspective of the Executive Branch, as to whether the proposed export meets the applicable criteria in the Atomic Energy Act as amended by the Nuclear Non-proliferation Act of 1978.

Sincerely,

James B. Devine, Assistant Director Export/Import and International (Safeguards Office of International Programs

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