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Docket 50-201

Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc. ATTN: Mr. J. P. Duckworth General Manager P. O. Box 124 West Velley, New York 14171

Gentlemen:

This letter is in reference to your letter of August 18, 1980 concerning the installation of a barrier to protect against tornado missiles at the Head End Ventilation enclosure at the West Valley plant. We have reviewed the information provided with your letter. We agree that the proposed modification, as described in the drawings, will adequately protect the filters within the HEV enclosure in the unlikely event of a direct missile strike resulting from tornadic winds.

We request that you inspect the missile barrier modification annually to assure it has not shifted from frost action.

Barring unfavorable weather conditions, the barrier modification should be installed within the sixty day priod as committed to in your letter of August 18, 1980.

Sincerely,

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

cc: J. R. Clark NFS, Rockville

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