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Gentlemen:

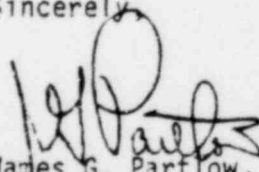
This is in response to your submittal of December 18, 1980, describing the procedures to be implemented for item verification of low enriched uranium fuel rods for the physical inventory scheduled to begin the week of December 29, 1980.

Our review of this modified November 21, 1980 submittal concludes that the described approach is acceptable and is in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR 70.32(c). Accordingly, License Condition 2.1.1 is hereby added to Amendment MPP-4, License No. SNM-1067, effective immediately, to read as follows:

2.1.1 "The licensee shall, for the inventory to be conducted during December 1980, in addition to the requirements of 10 CFR 70.51(f)(1) thru (3) and (4)(i) thru (iv), follow the item control of and the inventory procedures for SNM fuel rods committed to in their letter (TWX) dated December 18, 1980."

As discussed during the November 6, 1980 meeting at NRC Headquarters between representatives of Combustion Engineering, Inc. - Windsor and the NRC, the possibility of a 100% SNM fuel rod count/verification for all future physical inventories is presently being studied.

Sincerely,

  
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