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Exxon Nuclear Company, Inc.  
ATTN: Dr. R. Nilson, Manager  
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Gentlemen:

This is in response to your letters dated January 9, 12, and 23, 1981, all from R. Nilson (Exxon) to J. G. Partlow (NRC). The above letters addressed the plutonium inventory reduction procedures at the Exxon facility.

We have determined that the proposed procedures outlined in your letter dated January 23, 1981 for the determination of the shipper's data to be used for the Nuclear Material Transfer Report, Form NRC 741, are reasonable, will not adversely affect the common defense and security, and are otherwise in the public interest. Approval is hereby given to follow these procedures in lieu of those specified in 10 CFR 70.54 for plutonium compounds to be returned to the Department of Energy.

It has been established that your letters dated January 9, 12, and 23, and any attachments thereto contain information of a type specified in 10 CFR 2.790(d). Accordingly, pursuant to Section 2.790(d)(1), these are deemed to be commercial or financial information within the meaning of 10 CFR 9.5(a)(4) and shall be subject to disclosure only in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR 9.12.

Sincerely,

James G. Partlow, Chief  
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