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Mr. James R. Shea, Director
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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

XR-135
and
XSNM 01662

Subject: Expedite Issuance of XR 135 and XSNM 1662

Dear Mr. Shea,

This is to advise that General Electric has now been notified by the Taiwan Power Company (TPC) that March 31, 1981 is the revised due date specified for bids for supply of equipment and fuel for TPC nuclear Units 7 and 8 and to request prompt issuance of the subject export licenses. Eligibility for the award depends, among other things, on these export authorizations.

A favorable Executive Branch recommendation and analysis dated December 12, 1980, and related documentation, is undergoing final review by the Commission. We believe it is extremely important to issue the licenses at this time because the TPC bid specification states that any supplier is disqualified if unable to submit a "commitment from its government giving approval for issuing export licenses...." Not only would prompt issuance improve General Electric's opportunity to receive the award but also it would be a significant step in enhancing foreign customer confidence in the timeliness and reliability of U.S. supply and in the workability of this nation's nuclear export licensing process. These are, of course, major objectives of U.S. nonproliferation policy.

Your cooperation in this matter is sincerely appreciated.

Very truly yours,

E. D. Wilson, Manager
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