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Mr. Gerard F. Helfrich, Director
Office of Nuclear Export and
Import Control
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 M & T Chemicals Inc. for a license to export thorium contained in Cerium flouride to Brazil.

Before taking action on this license application, we would appreciate your views as to whether the proposed export meets the applicable criteria in the Atomic Energy Act as amended by the Nuclear Nonproliferation Act of 1978.

Sincerely,

James B. Devine, Assistant Director
Export/Import and International Safeguards

Office of International Programs

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