Mr. Gordan J. Louttit Vice-President, Assistant General Counsel Whittaker Corporation 10880 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, California 90024-4163

Dear Mr. Louttit:

RE: Docket No. 40-7455 - License No. SMA-1018

In your letter to Mr. Charles J. Haughney, Chief, Fuel Cycle Branch, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), dated July 20, 1990, you stated that the provisions of 10 CFR 40.36(a), (b), and (c) appear not to be applicable to Whittaker's license. Your letter provides no basis for your determination.

Your licerse specifies that you may possess contaminated materials present at the site as of June 1, 1985. To determine if the financial provisions apply, you must compute the total quantity of source material in your possession. The NRC requests that you determine your total possession and submit these calculations to us with appropriate supporting data by April 1, 1991.

Project management responsibility for the Whittaker site in Greenville, Pennsylvania has been transferred from the Fuel Cycle Branch to the Decommissioning and Regulatory Issues Branch. I request that you provide the NRC a status report on your actions to decontaminate the Whittaker site. That report may be submitted with the above requested information.

If you have any questions concerning this information, contact either Louis Bykoski at (301) 492-0572 or me at (301) 492-3435.

John H. Austin, Chief
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