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MEMORANDUM FOR: John H. Austin, Chief
Decommissioning and Regulatory
Issues Branch
Division of Low-Level Waste Management
and Decommissioning, NMSS

FROM: Elinor G. Adensam, Acting Chief
Licensing Branch
Division of Fuel Cycle Safety
and Safeguards, NMSS

SUBJECT: TRANSFER OF DECOMMISSIONING RESPONSIBILITY FOR SEQUOYAH
FUELS CORPORATION, DOCKET NO. 40-8027

Sequoyah Fuels Corporation (SFC) has announced its intention to terminate licensed activities under License No. SUB-1010 at its Gore, Oklahoma site. While SFC plans to operate the depleted uranium tetrafluoride (DUF4) facility until July 31, 1993, to meet contract obligations, SFC is immediately proceeding with decommissioning of the uranium hexafluoride (UF6) facility. SFC has estimated a 10-year span for decommissioning. The site has extensive soil and ground water contamination, and SFC is planning to request onsite disposal. The purpose of this memorandum is to document the transfer of responsibility for the decommissioning aspects of the facility to the Division of Low-Level Waste Management & Decommissioning (LLWM). This transfer of responsibility is effective as of the date of this memo. The licensing of the DUF4 operations will remain with the Division of Fuel Cycle Safety and Safeguards until operations are terminated in July 1993. By July 1993 responsibility for the entire license is expected to be transferred to LLWM.

SFC has submitted a Preliminary Plan for Completion of Decommissioning (PPCD) for the SFC site. A copy of the PPCD is enclosed. It is our understanding that your staff will have the lead in reviewing this plan and any other items related to decommissioning of the facility, including the financial assurance aspects. My staff will have the lead for all licensing issues and for any item not related to decommissioning until the complete transfer occurs.

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It is our understanding that James Shepherd has been designated as the Project Manager for this case. My staff will provide Mr. Shepherd with a complete set of the supporting background documents. Merri Horn will be available to work with Mr. Shepherd to effect a smooth transition and complete transfer of the case by the time DUF4 operations cease.

Original Signed By: *Michael Tokar*

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Enclosure: Preliminary Plan for the
Completion of Decommissioning

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