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Leland C. Rouse, Chief Fuel Cycle Safety Branch Division of Industrial and Medical Nuclear Safety, NMSS U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Rouse:

As requested by your office through mail and telephone conversations with Mr. Hobbs of our Health Physics group, the National Institute of Standards and Technology of the U.S. Department of Commerce is providing this letter as certification of funding assurance for decommissioning in an amount of at least \$750,000. As required by Title 10, CFR, Part 70.25(f)(4), funds for decommissioning will be obtained when necessary. This letter replaces our submission of November 9 on the same subject.

As Budget Officer for NIST, my signature indicates that I am authorized to represent NIST in this transaction. This letter is an original, signed document. I understand that I am committing NIST to funding a decommissioning effort when and if that should become necessary.

Sincerely,

Thomas A. Gary Budget Officer