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## Rare Earths, Inc.

AN AFFILIATE OF DAVISON CHEMICAL COMPANY, DIVISION OF W. R. GRACE & CO.

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Mr. Lyall Johnson Chief, Licensing Branch Division of Civilian Application United States Atomic Energy Commission Washington 25, D.C. DOCKETED C.S.A.E.C.

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Subject: Source Material License No. R-132

Dear Mr. Johnson:

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This letter is to advise that Rare Earths, Inc., Pompton Plains, New Jersey, a wholly-owned subsidiary of W. R. Grace and Co., New York, New York, is being liquidated and all personnel, facilities, materials and equipment are being transferred to and shall henceforth be an integral part of the Davison Chemical Co. Division of W. R. Grace and Co. The headquarters of the operation will be located at the Davison Chemical Co., Baltimore, Maryland, under Mr. David P. Barrett, General Manager, Rare Earths.

We therefore request that license no. R-132 be transferred to the name of the Davison Chemical Co. Division of W. R. Grace and Co. to include plants now operating at Pompton Plains, New Jersey, and at Curtis Bay, Maryland.

The scope of operations at Pompton Plains, New Jersey, and Curtis Bay, Maryland, is being expanded to include the processing, in addition to monazite sand, of various other thorium-containing source materials. We request that the amended Source Material License be issued to include both raw thorium-containing source material, such as monazite sand, thorite, etc., and refined thorium-containing source material, such as thorium bomb-reduction residues, thorium metal scrap and miscellaneous thorium-containing residues. It would also be advisable, in view of the expiration date of our present license, if the amended license can be issued for the full I year period from date.

If you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the writer at Pompton Plains, New Jersey location. The new license, however, should be sent to

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