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Mr. Dominick A. Orlando, Manager Curtis Bay Depot Project Mail Stop 5E4 U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington DC 20555

Dear Mr. Orlando:

I am writing to follow-up on our conversation of January 4, 1994, concerning the Decontamination and Decommissioning Plan for the Anne Arundel County property adjacent to the Defense National Stockpile Center (DNSC) Curtis Bay Depot, Curtis Bay, Maryland.

I have acquired copies of your comments that were forwarded to the Anne Arundel County Library under a cover letter dated December 21, 1993. Those comments are thorough and address most of Maryland's concerns.

Under Section 4.5 Radioactive Waste Management, we would like additional information concerning the disposal of low-level radioactive waste (LLRW). Under provisions of the Appalachian States Low-Level Radioactive Waste Compact, if waste shipments by Maryland generator—exceed 25 percent of the volume or activity shipped by the State of Pennsylvania when these shipments are averaged over a three year period, Maryland is required to site a LLRW disposal facility within its borders.

A significant volume of waste generated as a result of decontamination of the property adjacent to the DNSC facility could have a serious impact on Maryland's status in the Compact. Because of the potential for this impact, a requirement that the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) coordinate LLRW disposal plans with the Hazardous Waste Program is an essential element of DLA's Decontamination and Decommissioning Plan. I am requesting that you require the DLA to include, as part of their Decontamination and Decommissioning Plan, a commitment to coordinate LLRW disposal plans with the Hazardous Waste Program.

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