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Reference: License R-33, Docket 50-73

Gentlemen:

The General Electric Company has applied to the Department of Energy for funding during the Fiscal Year 1994 to convert the General Electric Nuclear Test Reactor (NTR) from HEU fuel to LEU fuel.

A copy of the DOE's negative response is attached and is submitted to fulfill the requirements of 10CFR50.64.

Sincerely,

G. E. Cunningham

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Attachment

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March 8, 1994

Mr. G. E. Cunningham Senior Licensing Engineer General Electric Company Vallecitos Nuclear Center P. O. Box 460, Vallecitos Road Pleasanton, CA 94566

Dear Mr. Cunningham:

In reference to your January 21, 1994, letter inquiring about the availability of funds from the Department of Energy for the conversion of the NTR from HEU to LEU fuel, you are hereby advised that funds are unavailable in the Department's FY 1994 budget and have not been submitted in the Department of Energy's FY 1995 planning budget.

Sincerely.

Program Manager

Office of University and Science Education Programs