MEMORANDUM FOR: Richard L. Bangart, Director

Division of Low-Level Waste Management

and Decommissioning, NMSS

FROM:

Richard E. Cunningham, Director Division of Industrial and Medical Nuclear Safety, NMSS

SUBJECT:

REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE - UNC, INC., SEPTIC LEACH FIELD DECOMMISSIONING

In accordance with NMSS Policy and Procedures Letter 1-41, I am requesting technical assistance for the review of the sampling program for possible contamination of the ground water and soil in the septic leach field at UNC, Inc., UNC Naval Products Division, Uncasville, Connecticut.

For over 30 years, UNC has fabricated high-enriched uranium reactor fuel. From 1958 to 1987, UNC discharged low-level radioactive contaminated liquid wastes into an onsite septic system. On March 12, 1990, the licensee announced that the facility would be decommissioned. By letters dated June 1, July 20, August 21, September 10, September 28, October 22, and November 8, 1990, the licensee submitted the UNC Naval Products Decommissioning Plan and some water and soil sample results from the septic field. By letters dated October 12. Octuber 29, and November 19, 1990, Oak Ridge Associated Universities provided comments on UNC's submittals.

We request that you review the enclosed documents and provide us with comments on the adequacy of the licensee's program for conducting ground water and soil sampling in the leach field. Please note that, prior to issuance of Letter 1-41, we had involved ORAU in a similar technical review.

If additional information is needed for your review, please contact Dr. Sean Soong (X20604) of my staff.

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