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Mr. Ronald Hauber, Assistant Director International Security, Exports, and Material Safety International Programs Office of Governmental and Public Affairs U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555

Subject:

Application for License to Export Low Enriched Uranium (TRIGA Fuel) to the

United Kingdom

Dear Mr. Hauber:

General Atomics (GA) has received notice of an order to supply a TRIGA fuel element to Imperial Chemical Industries, Ltd. for use in their TRIGA research reactor located at Billingham, Teeside in the United Kingdom. Further, we anticipate other future orders for additional TRIGA fuel elements and for control rods which have TRIGA fueled followers.

We understand that control rods themselves may be exported to the United Kingdom under the General License provisions of 10 CFR 110.26. However, the low enriched uranium (i.e., TRIGA fuel) contained in the control rod followers requires a specific license. Accordingly, GA hereby makes application pursuant to 10 CFR 110 for an export license authorizing the export of low enriched uranium (19.9% max.) in the form of TRIGA fuel elements and TRIGA fueled follower control rods to the United Kingdom. Enclosed is Form NRC-7 giving specific details in support of this request.

If you have any questions regarding this request, or desire additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (619) 455-2823.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosure - as above

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