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February 10, 1994

Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Mr. Robert C. Pierson, Chief
Licensing Branch
Division of FCSS
Mail Stop MS4E4
Washington, DC 20555

RE: COMBINED RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR SMB-920 and
SMC-1562

Dear Mr. Pierson:

Per my phone conversation with Richard Milstein concerning the submittal of the aforementioned license application, Cabot Performance Materials has been requested to send a letter addressing the fact that the application has been delayed.

While the submission of the application was originally scheduled for the end of December 1993, it became apparent that the timeframe would not be met. At that time, we wrote a letter stating that we would attempt to submit the application near the end of January 1994.

We have made an extra effort to submit the application near the end of January, but simply will not be successful in our attempt. Due to the extremely severe weather conditions we experienced in January, we were forced to operate with less than full staffing. In fact, we were very short in the word processing area, which limited the activities needed to complete the license application.

In addition, Cabot Performance Materials is in the process of preparing for an ISO-9000 qualifying audit which is scheduled for February 15, 1994. Bill Gannon, the RSO, is also the lead inside contact for the auditors. This activity has cut into his available time for working on the application.

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At this time the application is in a first draft form. We are in the process of assembling the attachments, figures, and tables. Once fully assembled, we can put the application into final draft form and submit it to our legal counsel for approval. Once approved, we will submit six (6) copies to the NRC. We hope to submit this in early March 1994.

Should you have any questions, or require additional information, please call me at your convenience.

Yours truly,



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