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February 6, 1991

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555 ATTN: Document Control Desk

Subject: Proposal for Conversion to Low Enriched Uranium, MIT Research Reactor, Docket No. 50-20, 10 CFR 50.64(c)(2)(ii)

Gentlemen:

In accordance with 10 CFR 50.64, Limitations on the Use of Highly Enriched Uranium, the MIT Nuclear Reactor Laboratory submits herewith the information required by subsection (c)(2)(ii) of that paragraph.

We have been notified by the U.S. Department of Energy that Federal funding for conversion to low enriched uranium will not be available during Fiscal Year 1991. A copy of Mr. Richard E. Stephens' letter dated January 31, 1991 is attached.

It is our understanding that this letter fulfills the requirements of 10 CFR 50.64 until March 27, 1992. We shall inform you if further information regarding the availability of funding should become available in the meantime.

Sincerely,

John A. Bernard, Ph.D.

Director of Reactor Operations

MIT Research Reactor

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cc: O. Harling, Director, Nuclear Reactor Laboratory

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Washington, DC 20585

January 31, 1991

Dr. John Bernard MIT Research Reactor Massachusetts Inst. of Technology Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139

Dear Dr. Bernard:

In accordance with Nuclear Regulatory Commission Rule, 10 CFR Part 50. Limiting The Use of Highly Enriched Uranium in Domestically licensed Research and Test Reactors, you are hereby notified that Federal funding for conversion of your reactor will not be available during Fiscal Year 1991.

You will be notified in the event these circumstances change.

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