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MEMORANDUM FOR: John G. Davis, Director  
Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards

THRU: Richard E. Cunningham, Director  
Division of Fuel Cycle and Material Safety

FROM: R. G. Page, Chief  
Uranium Fuel Licensing Branch

SUBJECT: ITEMS OF INTEREST

LOUISIANA POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY PART 70 LICENSE

Louisiana Power and Light Company (LPL) was issued Materials License No. SMM-1913 on February 10, 1983, authorizing the receipt, possession, inspection and storage of uranium enriched in the U-235 isotope, contained in fuel assemblies, and the receipt, possession and use of two Pu-Be neutron sources. All requested materials are for eventual use at the Waterford Steam Electric Station, Unit 3.

W. R. GRACE, POMPTON PLAINS, NEW JERSEY

On February 9 a meeting was held between NRC and representatives of W. R. Grace to discuss the contamination at the W. R. Grace site in Pompton Plains, New Jersey. This site was formerly licensed by NRC/AEC for the possession and use of source material for the purpose of extracting thorium and rare earths. The property contains an estimated 3 to 5 million cubic feet of thorium bearing residues that were buried pursuant to the old burial provisions of Part 20. There has been a considerable amount of public and congressional interest because of the contamination that exists both on and off site. The Department of Energy (DOE) is currently evaluating former contracts that the AEC had with W. R. Grace to determine whether or not the site is eligible for inclusion in DOE's Formerly Utilized Site Remedial Action Program.

The attendees of the meeting were R. G. Page, NMSS; W. T. Crow, NMSS; Robert Fonner, OELD, NRC; R. R. Mace, C. B. Kraft, T. D. Tongue, and B. L. Nobley, W. R. Grace.

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UNITED NUCLEAR CORPORATION

On February 10, 1983, a meeting was held in Wood River Junction, Rhode Island, with representatives of United Nuclear Corporation (UNC), the State of Rhode Island and the NRC staff to discuss the status of the decontamination activities at UNC. UNC's current plans are to finish decontamination by the first of May and provide the Commission a copy of the close-out survey by mid June.

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