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Department of Energy
ATTN: Mr. Jacques Read
DP-4
Washington, DC 20585

Dear Mr. Read:

This refers to your application dated February 5, 1991, requesting a two-year extension of the Certificate of Compliance No. 5597 for the Tungsten-Shielded cask. Since an application was submitted at least 30 days prior to the expiration of the Certificate of Compliance, the Certificate will not be deemed to have expired until the application has finally been determined.

In connection with our review, we need the information identified in the enclosure to this letter.

This information should be provided within 60 days from the date of this letter. If you have any questions regarding this matter, we would be pleased to meet with you and your staff.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by

Charles E. MacDonald, Chief
Transportation Branch
Division of Safeguards
and Transportation, NMSS

Enclosure: as stated

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OPERATING PROCEDURES

Provide complete and current operating procedures for the Tungsten-Shielded cask. Operating procedures should be presented sequentially in the order in which the operations are performed. The operating procedures should also address items such as inspections prior to loading, cautionary notes on the package handling, limits on package contents and how such limits are met, installation of security seals, determination that the external radiation levels are within regulatory limits, instructions pertinent to receiving and unloading the package, and shipping the package empty.

Note that the Certificate of Compliance may be conditioned to specifically cite the operating procedures.

MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

Provide a complete and current maintenance program for the Tungsten-Shielded cask. The maintenance program should describe the actions taken to ensure the continued performance of the package. The program should include periodic testing, inspection and replacement schedules, as well as criteria for replacement and repair of components and subsystems on an as-needed basis.

Note that the Certificate of Compliance may be conditioned to specifically cite the maintenance program.