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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555

Attention: Document Control Desk

Reference: License R-33, Docket 50-73

Gentlemen:

The General Electric Company has applied to the Department of Energy for funding during the Fiscal Year 1992 to convert the General Electric Nuclear Test Reactor (NTR) from HEU fuel to LEU fuel.

A copy of the DOE's negative response is attached and is submitted to fulfill the requirements of 10CFR50.64.

Sincerely,

G. E. Cunningham

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Attachment

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Washington, DC 20585

January 17, 1992

Mr. G. E. Cunningham Senior Licensing Engineer General Electric Company Vallectios Nuclear Center P.O. Box 460 Vallectios Road Pleasanton, California 94566

Dear Mr. Cunningham:

In reference to your January 9, 1992, letter inquiring about the availability of funds from the Department of Energy for the conversion of the NTR from HEU fuel to LEU fuel, you are hereby advised that funds are unavailable in DOE's FY 1992 budget and have not been submitted in DOE's FY 1993 and FY 1994

Sincerely,

Richard E. Stephens Associate Director

Office of University and Science Education Programs

Office of Energy Research