Mr. Terrence Tehan, Director Nuclear Science Center Rhode Island Atomic Energy Commission South Ferry Road Narrangansett, Rhode Island 02882

SUBJECT: ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT NO. 21 FOR FACILITY LICENSE NO. R-95, RHODE

ISLAND ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION RESEARCH REACTOR (TAC NO. M79580)

Dear Mr. Tehan:

The staff of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has completed its review and evaluation of a change to the Rhode Island Atomic Energy Commission Research Reactor Technical Specifications that you proposed on March 20, 1995, as supplemented by letter dated January 12, 1996. The attached Amendment No. 21 change provides for the combination of the Radiation Safety Committee and the Reactor Utilization Committee into the Nuclear and Radiation Safety Committee. A copy of the Safety Evaluation Report supporting Amendment No. 21 is also attached.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (301) 415-1128.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

Marvin M. Mendonca, Senior Project Manager Non-Power Reactors and Decommissioning Project Directorate Division of Reactor Program Management Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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Attachments:

Amendment No. 21
 Safety Evaluation

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