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Daniel Hirsch
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In the Matter of
THE REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
(UCLA Research Reactor)
Docket No. 50-14201
(Proposed Renewal of Facility License)

Dear Mr. Hirsch:

I am responding to your telephone inquiry to Mr. Gray of this office early in October. You asked whether the NRC Staff would agree to discuss two conditions of withdrawal of the UCLA application for license renewal you propose for stipulation among the parties and submission to the Licensing Board.

I have asked and received the Staff response to your inquiry. The Staff has indicated that it is not willing to negotiate conditions for withdrawal with CBG alone in the absence of involvement of UCLA since the Staff for its part does not wish to impose any specific conditions on UCLA. As I explained to you previously, the Staff has no first hand information about the personnel exposure considerations of dismantlement, arrangements for an appropriate cask or agreement with the Department of Energy for receipt of the spent fuel shipment and is similarly reluctant to establish conditions dependent upon such information without UCLA involvement.

However, although the Staff is unwilling to enter negotiations with CBG alone on your proposed conditions of withdrawal, I would be happy to participate in a conference call with UCLA to assist in reaching an amicable agreement between CBG and UCLA.

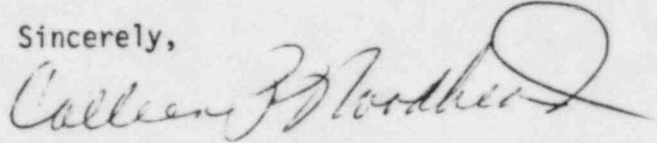
As a practical matter, you should know that when I called Mr. Cormier last week to explore the possibility of discussions of your proposals, I learned he is on vacation until October 29. Therefore, I suggest you call Mr. Cormier upon his return to ask for a telephone conference to clarify the possibility of productive discussions. The conference should take place the last week of October, because I have been asked by Judge Frye to inform the

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Board of the results of any negotiations prior to November 1, 1984. In the event you confer only with UCLA, please notify the Board of any agreement reached prior to that date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Colleen P. Woodhead". The signature is fluid and includes a large loop at the end.

Colleen P. Woodhead
Counsel for NRC Staff

cc: Service list