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Mr. Michael F. Webber
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Mail Stop TAD
Washington, DC 20555

Dear Mr. Webber,

First, I would like to express appreciation on the behalf of ATG for the time and effort provided by you during your visit to our facility. The information and insight you afforded us will be beneficial in directing our facility as it continues to grow.

As expressed near the close of our meeting, and after review of some of the options presented by Kim Hardin and yourself, ATG is very interested in exploring the possibility of a "storage only" license. This would involve a separate facility located adjacent to the Washington licensed facility. As previously discussed, ATG has no intention of processing waste or material within the NRC licensed area. This area would serve as a storage area only, allowing receipt of additional "Special Nuclear Material" while normal operations are conducted in our Washington licensed processing facilities. The "storage only" facility and the Washington licensed facility would not be connected and would be separated by fences and an access road.

At the present time, ATG processes waste/material for DOE and commercial companies in addition to the Department of Defense. In certain instances, the material has been processed but shipment has been delayed as a result of delays within customer organizations or disposal facilities. These occurrences places a financial burden upon ATG due to an inability to receive and service additional material for process. The proposed storage facility could provide direct benefits for alleviating some of this burden.

We would be immensely grateful if you and your group could evaluate the feasibility of a storage license. ATG will continue its research regarding further options presented by you and determine the appropriate avenue to pursue in the event a storage facility proves to be unacceptable.

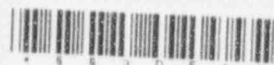
If there is any additional information which would be helpful, please feel free to contact me at (509) 375-5160.

Thank you,

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