

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

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Mr. Peter Tarnoff Executive Secretary U.S. Department of State Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Tarnoff:

Enclosed please find an application from Mitsui & Company, (U.S.A.), Inc. for a license to export special nuclear material to Japan.

Before taking action on this license application, we would appreciate your views, in accordance with established procedures and from the overall perspective of the Executive Branch, as to whether the issuance of the requested license would be inimical to the interests of the United States, including the common defense and security, and whether the proposed export meets the applicable criteria in the Atomic Energy Act as amended by the Nuclear Nonproliferation Act of 1978.

Sincerely, 2 ME. Lee V. Gossick Executive Director for Operations

Enclosure: Application dated 11/28/78 (XSNM01426)

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