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**Subject: Gadolinium Burnable Absorber Rods Schedule Change**

**Reference:** Letter, H-SM-98-035, W.J. Burns (CE) to G.M. Bennington (USNRC),  
"Gadolinium Burnable Absorber Rods, 8/10/98.

Dear Ms. Bennington:

Pursuant to 10CFR73.72 Combustion Engineering, Inc. provided advance notification (reference 1) to United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission concerning a future shipment of gadolinium burnable absorber rods from its Hematite, Missouri fuel fabrication facility to the Korea Nuclear Fuel Company. In that notification Chicago, Illinois was listed as the point of departure from the United States.

Since issuance of the referenced letter the carrier, A. I. F. Company, has informed us that Los Angeles, California will be the point of departure from the U.S. Consequently, the cargo will now be transported by truck from Hematite, Missouri to Los Angeles and then transported via air to South Korea. The shipment is still expected to depart Hematite on Friday, August 21, 1998 and arrive at the A.I.F. Warehouse in Gardena, California by Tuesday, August 25. Transport to South Korea via air will occur later that week.

If any other significant changes occur with respect to either the schedule or the carrier we will notify you immediately.

Sincerely,  
Combustion Engineering, Inc.

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