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ATTN:

Mr. Hugh L. Thompson, Jr.

Gentlemen:

We have reviewed the letters dated August 17, 1988, from AlChemIE, Inc. to the NRC concerning Docket Numbers 50-603 and 50-604. Attached are some comments generated from the review and for which we still desire clarification.

Sincerely,

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Attachment

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ALCHEMIE'S LETTER DATED 8-17-88 TO NRC COMMENTS

10 CFR 50 Non Applicability (Revision 1 to Nov. 17, 1987 submitted)

50.34(b)(6)
AlChemIE has not shown Tennessee Department of Health and Environment (TDH&E), conclusively, that there is no radiological hazard.

50.34(b)(8) 50.34(i-1) (j), (k), (1) (m), (y) AlChemIE has not shown TDH&E, conclusively, that there is no radiological hazard.

50.34(c)(d) (c) 50.54(p) Statement made that there are approximately 170 grams of U-235 on equipment. In a letter to NRC, dated 6/9/88, other numbers are given that differ from the above. Which is correct? One hundred seventy grams is liceasable under Tennessee regulations and jurisdiction.

10 CFR 50 EXEMPTION REQUIREMENTS

- 1. A. AlChemIE has not positively shown TDH&E that there will be no radiological release. Also, statement is made that the "facility is to be used for the production of stable isotopes" but in July 20, 1988, letter from AlChemIE to NRC, item 2, it is stated that Tellurium-123 will be enriched "to about 50" percent. These statements present confusion that has not been clarified.
 - D. Again AlChemIE has not shown that there will be "no threat of radiological release."

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