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REPLY TO

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Safety/Rad Waste Team

Mr. Stewart Brown Low-Level Waste and Decommissioning Projects Branch U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Division of Waste Management Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

Dear Mr. Brown:

In response to your letter dated March 3, 1999, we request the Nuclear Regulatory Commission move forward with the review of our Lake City Army Ammunition Plant 600-yard bullet catcher decommissioning plan and amend our license SUC-1380 to incorporate it. We are considering options for possible revision of the Area 10 decommissioning plan.

As we consider potential mixed waste off-site disposal alternatives, we wish to add authorized offsite disposal as a potential alternative to the soil washing/soil leaching process. Specifically, we wish to add the words, "the Army may elect to ship the entire 40,000 cubic feet of mixed decommissioning waste to an authorized off-site treatment and disposal facility" to sections 1.2, 2.1.1.8, 2.1.2.3, and 2.1.2.5 of the 600-yard decommissioning plan. Whether we treat the mixed decommissioning plan. Whether not, we will ship all radioactive materials off site. Therefore, transportation related exposures, accident scenarios, etc., would remain the same.

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