Mr. Robert W. Sharkey, Director Regulatory Affairs Combustion Engineering, Inc. 3300 State Road P Hewatite, MO 63047

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT REQUEST TO UPDATE THE DECOMMISSIONING PLAN FOR THE HEMATITE EVAPORATION PONDS (TAC NO. L30981)

Dear Mr. Sharkey:

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All other conditions of this license shall remain the same.

Fnclosed are copies of the revised Materials License SNM-33 and the Safety Evaluation Report, which includes the Categorical Exclusion determination.

Sincerely.

Original signed by:

Michael F. Weber, Chief Licensing Branch Division of Fuel Cycle Safety and Safeguards, NMSS

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