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Regional Administrator, Region III
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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SUBJECT: Proposed changes to Physical Security Plan,
University of Missouri Research Reactor Facility

Dear Sir:

The present University of Missouri Research Reactor (MURR) Physical Security Plan (PSP) requires that we give 30 days notice if we arrange for in-transit protection of Special Nuclear Material of Low Strategic Significance.

Last year we received a new fuel element (775 grams of U-235) with an indented outer fuel plate and a reduced outer coolant channel gap. We decided not to irradiate this element and have arranged to have Babcock and Wilcox, our fuel fabricator, attempt repair of the gap or salvage of the fuel plates.

Enclosed are proposed changes to our PSP which we believe will allow us to meet the requirements of 10CFR73.67(g)(3) when we ship the element to Babcock and Wilcox. We have a shipping container, USA/5088/B()F, Model D34710-1, such as Babcock and Wilcox uses to ship new elements to us. We have added sections to our Quality Assurance Program to assure we meet requirements of the Certificate of Compliance for the shipping container, USA/5088/B()F, Model D34710-1.

We request your approval of these proposed changes to our PSP so we may proceed with the shipment.

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Sincerely,

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Enclosures (SAFEGUARDS MATERIAL)

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