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If you have any questions concerning this request, please contact me at (301) 492-8206.

The reporting and/or recordkeeping requirements contained in this letter affect fewer than ten respondents; therefore, OMB clearance is not required under P.L. 96-511.

Sincerely,

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10 CFR $\S50.64(b)(3)$ requires that any licensee granted a unique purpose exemption from the use of LEU fuel must use HEU fuel of enrichment as close to 20% as is available and acceptable to the Commission.

If fuel of any enrichment from 20% to 93% were available and you were granted a unique purpose exemption, what would be the lowest enrichment fuel that your reactor could use and still reasonably accomplish its primary projects, programs, or commercial activities? In your answer, please justify your final choice of enrichment based upon the physical and technical limitations of your reactor and its supporting programs.