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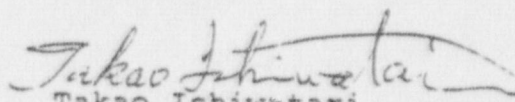
Dear Mr. Gossick:

I have the honor to refer to your letter of January 29, 1980 and to the Arrangement between the JAERI, the USNRC and the BMFT concerning research participation and technical exchange in a coordinated analytical and experimental study of the three dimensional thermohydraulic behavior of emergency core coolant during the refill and reflood phase of a loss of coolant accident in a pressurized water reactor, signed by the USNRC on January 25, 1980, the BMFT on March 20, 1980 and the JAERI on April 13, 1980.

The Atomic Energy Bureau (AEB) understands the importance of the cooperative project in connection with the above-mentioned arrangement. I hereby wish to inform you that the AEB agrees and fully supports the JAERI in participating as a signatory party to the Arrangement and carrying out its obligation concerning the research program, information exchange and patents, as set forth in the Arrangement.

In addition, I would like to inform you that the funds necessary to carry out the above-mentioned research program, within the authorization of the annual fiscal budget by our Diet and Competent Fiscal Authority, will be supplied.

Sincerely,

  
Takao Ishiwatari  
Director General  
Atomic Energy Bureau

cc: Dr. SchmidtKuster (BMFT)