Docket No. 40-3392 License No. SUB-526

Allied-Signal, Inc.
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Gentlemen:

This is in response to your letter dated May 11, 1989, requesting recision of the NRC Order issued on May 18, 1987, which prohibits Allied-Signal, Inc., (Allied) from filling with uranium hexafluoride (UF₆) or heating certain 48-inch diameter cylinders manufactured by W. H. Stewart Company. In the letter, you identified 25 cylinders with the serial numbers of 2309-2333 (inclusive) which are affected by the Order. In addition, you have enclosed a safety evaluation to support your conclusions that the safety offered by the cylinders will not be compromised during in-plant operations and that the Department of Transportation authorizes transport of the cylinders when filled with UF₆.

The staff has reviewed your submittal and concludes that Allied has not properly certified under oath the statements and conclusions of the safety evaluation. Therefore, if you desire further NRC consideration of the request, Allied should resubmit the safety evaluation certified with an affidavit executed by an officer or upper-level management official.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Scott Pennington of my staff on (301) 492-0693.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:

Leland C. Rouse, Chief Fuel Cycle Safety Branch Division of Industrial and Medical Nuclear Safety, NMSS

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