



**UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**
REGION II
245 PEACHTREE CENTER AVENUE N.E., SUITE 1200
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303-1200

December 14, 2020

Thomas H. Owens
President and Chief Operating Officer
GE-Hitachi Global Laser Enrichment LLC
P. O. Box 780, Mail Code J20
Wilmington, NC 28402

SUBJECT: GENERAL ELECTRIC-HITACHI GLOBAL LASER ENRICHMENT FACILITY
U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION INSPECTION REPORT
70-7016/2020-401

Dear Mr. Owens:

This report documents the results of the information security inspection that was conducted on November 17-18, 2020, at the Global Laser Enrichment (GLE) facility site in Wilmington, North Carolina. The purpose of this inspection was to determine whether security activities proposed to be operated under the new GLE organization with Silex and Cameco as the owners would be conducted safely, securely, and in accordance with Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) requirements. The results of this inspection were discussed with members of your staff at an exit meeting held on November 18, 2020.

During the inspection, the NRC staff examined activities conducted under your license as they related to protection of classified information and to confirm compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and with the conditions of your license. Areas examined during the inspections are identified in the enclosed report. Within these areas, the inspections consisted of selected examination of procedures and representative records, observations of activities, and interviews with personnel.

Based on the results of the inspections, no violations of more than minor significance were identified.

The material enclosed herewith contains Security-Related Information associated with the Classified Information Security safeguards program at the GLE facility, and in accordance with 10 CFR 2.390(d)(1), its disclosure to unauthorized individuals could present a security vulnerability.

T. Owens

2

Therefore, the material in the enclosure will not be made available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room, or from the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS); accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

If you have any questions regarding the report, please contact Leonard Pitts of my staff at 404-997-4708.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Robert E. Williams, Jr., Chief
Projects Branch 1
Division of Fuel Facility Inspection

Docket No. 70-7016
License No. SNM-2019

Enclosure:

~~NRC Inspection Report 70-7016/2020-401~~
~~w/Attachment: Supplemental Information~~

T. Owens

3

cc:

Thomas Owens, President and Chief Executive Officer
Global Laser Enrichment
3901 Castle Hayne Road
P.O. Box 780
Wilmington, NC 28402
tom.owens@ge.com

Patricia Jenny, Security Manager
Global Laser Enrichment
3901 Castle Hayne Road
P.O. Box 780
Wilmington, NC 28402
pat.jenny@ge.com

SoLita Greene
Director, Department of Energy NE-32/D-430
solita.greene@nuclear.energy.gov

T. Owens

4

SUBJECT: GENERAL ELECTRIC-HITACHI GLOBAL LASER ENRICHMENT FACILITY
U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION INSPECTION REPORT
70-7016/2020-401 dated December 14, 2020

DISTRIBUTION:

L. Suggs, RII
L. Pitts, RII
R. Williams, RII
D. Parsons, NSIR
K. Everly, NSIR
Y. Faraz, NMSS
D. Marcano, NMSS

☒ PUBLICLY AVAILABLE ☐ NON-PUBLICLY AVAILABLE ☐ SENSITIVE ☒ NON-SENSITIVE
ADAMS: ☒ Yes ACCESSION NUMBER: **ML20350B605** ☒ SUNSI REVIEW COMPLETE ☒ FORM 665
ATTACHED

OFFICE	RII:DFFI/PB1	RII:DFFI/PB1	NSIR	RII:DFFI/PB1	
NAME	L. Pitts	K. Womack	K. Everly	R. Williams	
DATE	12/11/2020	12/10/2020	12/10/2020	12/14/2020	
E-MAIL COPY?	YES NO	YES NO	YES NO	YES NO	

OFFICIAL RECORD COPY