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November 3, 2021

Mr. Prakash Narayanan  
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SUBJECT: PROPOSED ALTERNATIVE TO THE ASME CODE, NG-4230 TACK WELDS FOR RENEWED CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE NO. 1004, AMENDMENT NOS. 13, 14, 15, 16 AND 17 (DOCKET NO. 72-1004, CAC NO. 001028, EPID: L-2021-LLR-0069) – REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Dear Mr. Narayanan:

By letter dated September 10, 2021, TN Americas LLC (TN) submitted to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) a request for NRC to approve an alternative to the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) Boiler and Pressure Vessel (B&PV) Code Section III, Division 1, Article NG, Subsection NG-4000 for Visual Examination (VT) requirements of tack welds of the NUHOMS® 61BTH Type 2 Dry Shielded Canister (DSC), R45 transition rails, for each of the following amendments for Renewed Certificate of Compliance No. 1004: Renewed Amendment 13, Revision 1, as corrected; Renewed Amendment 14; Renewed Amendment 15; Renewed Amendment 16; and Renewed Amendment 17.

The staff has determined that further information is needed to complete its technical review. The request for additional information (RAI) is attached in Enclosure 1. Your response should be provided by November 19, 2021. If you are unable to meet this deadline, please notify us in writing, at least one week in advance, of your new submittal date and the reasons for the delay. The NRC staff will then assess the impact on the current schedule to finalize the safety evaluation report and notify you of a revised schedule.

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Please reference Docket No. 72-1004, CAC No. 001028 and EPID: L-2021-LLR-0069 in future correspondence related to the acceptance review for this licensing action. If you have any questions, please contact me at (301) 415-6825.

Sincerely,



Signed by Jacobs, Christian  
on 11/03/21

Christian Jacobs, Senior Project Manager  
Storage and Transportation Licensing Branch  
Division of Fuel Management  
Office of Nuclear Material Safety  
and Safeguards

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Enclosure:  
RAI (non-proprietary)

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