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SUBJECT: U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION'S ANALYSIS OF U.S.
MARITIME ADMINISTRATION'S DECOMMISSIONING FUNDING STATUS
REPORT FOR NUCLEAR SHIP SAVANNAH, DOCKET NO 50-238 (EPID
NO L-2019-PMP-0134)

Dear Mr. Koehler:

By letter dated March 31, 2021, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) received your decommissioning funding status (DFS) report (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML21099A189) for the Nuclear Ship (NS) *Savannah*.


The NRC has reviewed and analyzed the site-specific decommissioning cost estimate, as required in Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) 50.82(a)(4)(i), and the amount stated within the licensee's decommissioning trust fund, as of December 31, 2020, for the above plant, as well as earnings assumptions. Based on the reported decommissioning trust balance, together with earnings credits specified under NRC regulations, the NRC has determined that as of December 31, 2020, the U.S. Maritime Administration is providing a total amount of decommissioning funding assurance in the amount of \$131,000,000 for the NS *Savannah*.

This letter confirms the correspondence, described above, regarding DFS reports for permanently shut down power reactors as required under 10 CFR 50.82(a)(v) - (vi). As of the date of this letter, considering the available information, the NRC has determined that the U.S. Maritime Administration has satisfied the decommissioning funding assurance requirements of 10 CFR 50.82, "Termination of License," for the NS *Savannah* on December 31, 2020. A summary report completed by NRC staff reflecting decommissioning power reactor DFSs is expected to be completed and made publicly available by the end of calendar year 2020.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Agency Rules of Practice and Procedure," a copy of this letter will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the Publicly Available Records component of NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

If you have any questions in this matter, please contact Ted Smith at theodore.smith@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,



Signed by Smith, Theodore
on 12/10/21

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US NRC Analysis of US Maritime Admin's Decommissioning Funding Status Report for NS Savannah
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