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SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF HONEYWELL INTERNATIONAL, INC., 2025 TRIENNIAL

UPDATE TO THE DECOMMISSIONING FUNDING PLAN - ENTERPRISE

PROJECT IDENTIFICATION NUMBER L-2025-DFA-0000

## Dear Brett Suits:

By letter dated January 3, 2025 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System [ADAMS] Accession No. ML25015A108), you submitted Honeywell International Inc.'s (Honeywell) triennial update to the Decommissioning Cost Estimate (DCE) and Decommissioning Funding Plan (DFP) for the Honeywell Metropolis Works (MTW) uranium conversion facility in Metropolis, Illinois.

After receipt, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff proceeded to conduct an acceptance review of your submittal. During this review, Honeywell requested a teleconference with the NRC staff to start discussions regarding an upcoming Honeywell request for NRC consent to the transfer of control (ML25055A164) of Honeywell's source material and export licenses (see ML25024A105 for the call summary). During the call, which was conducted on January 22, 2025, Honeywell requested that the NRC place the review of the updated DCE/DFP on hold to prioritize the review of the request for NRC consent to the transfer of licenses. Acting upon this request, the NRC staff placed the review of the DCE/DFP on hold to prioritize review of the request for transfer control of licenses. On June 17, 2025, the NRC staff issued its final response to Honeywell's request for consent to the transfer of control of licenses (ML25141A094). Upon completion of that action, the NRC staff resumed work on the updated DCE/DFP to determine whether the submittal contained sufficient information and could be accepted for detailed technical review.

We have completed our acceptance review of your updated DCE/DFP submittal and have determined that there are no administrative omissions or deficiencies that would prevent us from proceeding with a detailed technical review. However, the NRC staff's technical review of your submittal may identify issues that could require you to provide additional information. Your submittal has been assigned Enterprise Project Identification Number L-2025-DFA-0000. Please reference this number and Docket No. 04003392 in any future correspondence associated with this matter.

Based on our preliminary evaluation and projection of current review schedules, we anticipate completing our review of your submittal by October 2025, which is 8 months shorter than our

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12-month metric for license amendments. This schedule includes the issuance, if needed, of a request for additional information (RAI) by early August 2025 and receiving your responses to the RAI within 30 days from the RAI's issuance date. The NRC staff estimates that completing the review of your submittal will require approximately 80 staff hours, which corresponds to about \$25,440.00 (\$318.00/hour) and aligns with historical averages for this type of licensing review. We will promptly communicate any significant schedule or cost changes.

The schedule is also based, in part, on Honeywell providing RAI responses within 30 days of receiving draft RAIs, unless another date is agreed upon, RAI responses resolving issues with limited need for follow-up RAIs, clarification calls and audits being scheduled and conducted promptly, and any additional supporting non-docketed information being provided timely. To achieve this schedule, the NRC staff intends to engage Honeywell frequently to resolve open items and address emerging technical and regulatory issues. Not meeting these assumptions, including the information requests above, could result in changes to the review schedule. The NRC requests that Honeywell inform us in writing, as early as possible, should potential delays arise in its support of the schedule. Should the review experience a delay for other reasons, the NRC staff will endeavor to make up the time within the schedule.

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If you have any questions regarding this communication, please contact me at 301-415-7827, or via email to <a href="mailto:Osiris.Siurano-Perez@nrc.gov">Osiris.Siurano-Perez@nrc.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

Signed by Siurano-Perez, Osiris

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Docket No.: 04003392 License No.: SUB-526

cc: Charles Patterson, Regulatory Manager,

Honeywell Metropolis Works

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