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Subject: Amendment Request for Certificate of Compliance (CoC) No. 1052; Model No. CASTOR® geo69 Dry Storage System – Establishing Fixed Fee Cap
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Importance: High

Dear Dominik Teupe:

In preparation for the Executive Order 14300 fixed fee caps to take effect on October 1, 2026, a fixed fee cap must be established by September 30, 2026, for each requested activity for which a complete application has been accepted for review by the United States (U.S.) Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) before October 1, 2026, if the review will continue past October 1, 2026. This fixed-fee cap replaces the estimate provided in the acceptance letter and reflects, in part, the actual expenditures incurred since the application was accepted.

In accordance with 10 CFR 170.33, this communication establishes the fixed cap on service fees (fixed fee cap) for the NRC's review of the CASTOR® geo69 Dry Storage System application. The fixed fee cap for the NRC's review of this requested activity is \$742,000 for a new storage certificate of compliance request. The NRC considered various factors when establishing this fixed fee cap, such as the quality and complexity of the application, technology type, and any pre-application engagement. The Professional Hourly Rate as established in 10 CFR 170.20(b) applies to this requested activity.

The fixed fee cap represents the maximum amount that the NRC may charge for service fees for this requested activity following acceptance of the complete application. The fixed fee cap will not be increased except in instances of applicant failure, as defined in 10 CFR 170.3. If applicant failure occurs, the NRC will notify GNS Gesellschaft für Nuklear-Service mbH in writing of the new fixed fee cap, which will be set at the lowest practicable amount determined by the NRC to account for the applicant failure and complete the review.

The NRC will track service fees against the fixed fee cap beginning on August 4, 2023, which is the date a complete application was accepted for review by the NRC for this requested activity.

Disputes associated with a fixed fee cap must be submitted in accordance with 10 CFR 15.31 and 170.33(f) and NRC Form 529 procedures.

In accordance with Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations*, Section 2.390 of the NRC's "Agency Rules of Practice and Procedure," a copy of this e-mail will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the Publicly Available Records component of the NRC's ADAMS. ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html> (the Public Electronic Reading Room).

Please reference Docket No. 07201052 and Cost Accountability Number / Enterprise Project Identification Number [001028 / L-2021-NEW-0006] in future correspondence related to this request. If you have any questions regarding this matter, I may be contacted via email at Norma Garcia Santos at Norma.GarciaSantos@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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