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Administrative Judge G. Paul Bollwerk, Chairman
Administrative Judge Jerry R. Kline
Administrative Judge Peter S. Lam
Atomic Safety & Licensing Board
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

In the Matter of Private Fuel Storage L.L.C.
(Private Fuel Storage Facility)
Docket No. 72-22
ASLBP No. 97-732-02-ISFSI

Dear Chairman Bollwerk and Judges Kline and Lam:

As directed by Paragraph A of the Board's Memorandum and Order of March 9, 1998 (Request for Information Regarding Contentions Involving Proprietary and Safeguards Material), Private Fuel Storage L.L.C. ("Applicant") and the State, in consultation with the NRC Staff, are in agreement that Utah Contentions EE and GG, as revised with the subcontentions agreed upon by the State and the Applicant (see Applicant's letter to the Board dated March 2, 1998), do not contain any proprietary information and "can be set forth in publicly available Board issuances without violating any applicable confidentiality agreements or the staff's February 12, 1998 finding under 10 C.F.R. § 2.790." Specifically, the Applicant has provided Holtec International a copy of the revised language of Utah Contention EE, as agreed upon by the Applicant and the State, and has provided Sierra Nuclear Corporation a copy of the revised language of Utah Contention GG, as agreed upon by the Applicant and the State, and has been advised in writing by the two companies, respectively, that Utah Contentions EE and GG, as revised, do not contain proprietary information.

Additionally, the Applicant and the State have compiled a list (attached to this letter) of the proprietary and nonproprietary calculation packages that either has cited as being relevant to the admissibility of Utah Contentions EE and GG. In accordance with the Board's March 9, 1998 Order, the Applicant is hand delivering today to both the Board and the Secretary a copy of the calculation packages identified on the attached list. In addition, the Applicant is providing the NRC Staff with a copy of the proprietary version of the Scoping Seismic Analyses of HI-STORM on a Western Area ISFSI, Holtec Calculation No. HI-961574 (1996), one of the listed

documents being provided today to the Board (and previously provided to the State) since it includes Appendices AA through DD which were not included with the proprietary version filed with the NRC Staff last summer. The other calculation packages, both proprietary and non-proprietary, are identical to those previously filed with the NRC Staff.

The Applicant has also consulted with the NRC Staff in accordance with Paragraph B of the Board's March 9, 1998 Order and has authorized the NRC Staff to represent its agreement that the language of Utah Contentions Security-A through Security-I, as revised (see Applicant's letter to the Board dated March 2, 1998), does not contain Safeguards Information such that the contentions can be set forth in publicly available Board issuances without violating any applicable strictures of 10 C.F.R. Part 73 concerning the confidentiality of Safeguards Information.

The Applicant has previously provided the Board with electronic versions of all pleadings that it has filed relative to the State's late-filed cask-pad seismic stability and physical security plan contentions requested by Paragraph C of the Board's March 9, 1998 Order.

Respectfully,

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Attachment

cc: Service List
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**Calculation Packages Forwarded to the Board and the
NRC Secretary Per the Board's Order of March 9, 1998**

1. Multi-Cask Seismic Response at the PFS ISFSI, Holtec Calculation No. HI-971631 (Non-Proprietary) (1997)
2. Multi-Cask Seismic Response at the PFS ISFSI, Holtec Calculation No. HI-971631 (Proprietary) (1997)
3. Scoping Seismic Analyses of HI-STORM on a Western Area ISFSI, Holtec Calculation No. HI-961574 (Non-Proprietary) (1996)
4. Scoping Seismic Analyses of HI-STORM on a Western Area ISFSI, Holtec Calculation No. HI-961574 (Proprietary) (1996)
5. 3-D Time Histories for Private Storage Facility, Holtec Calculation No. HI-961556 (Non Proprietary) (Rev. 2, 1997)
6. Private Fuel Storage Facility - Storage Pad Analysis and Design, Civil Engineering Consultants Calculation No. 05996.01-SC(PO17)-1 (Non-Proprietary) (1997)
7. Soil-Structure Interaction Analysis for Evaluation of TranStor™ Storage Cask Seismic Stability, Sierra Nuclear Calculation No. PFS01-10.02.04 (Proprietary) (1997)
8. TranStor™ Storage Cask Seismic Stability Analysis for PFS Site, Sierra Nuclear Calculation No. PFS01-10.02.05 (Proprietary) (1997)
9. Development of Soil and Foundation Parameters in Support of Dynamic Soil-Structure Interaction Analysis, Geomatrix Calculation No. 05996.01-G(P05)-1 (Non-Proprietary) (Rev. 1, 1997)
10. Deterministic Ground Motion Calculations for Skull Valley, Utah, Geomatrix Calculation No. 05996.01-G(P05)-2 (Non-Proprietary) (1997)

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the letter from Ernest L. Blake to the Licensing Board dated March 18, 1998, were served on the persons listed below (unless otherwise noted) by e-mail with conforming copies by U.S. mail, first class, postage prepaid, this 18th day of March, 1998.

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*** By e-mail and Federal Express with copy of the Calculation Package identified at item 4 in the Attachment.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Paul Gaukler". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

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