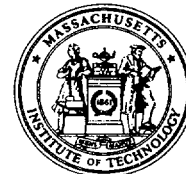




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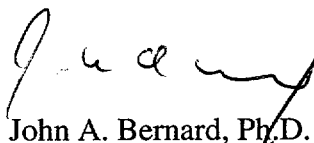
Subject: Proposal for Conversion to Low Enriched Uranium, MIT Research
Reactor, Docket No. 50-20, 10 CFR 50.64 (c)(2)(ii) of that paragraph.

Gentlemen:

In accordance with 20 CFR 50.64, "Limitations on the Use of Highly Enriched Uranium in Domestic Non-Power Reactors," the MIT Nuclear Reactor Laboratory submits herewith the information required by subsection (c)(2)(ii) of that paragraph.

We have been notified by the U.S. Department of Energy that Federal funding for conversion to low enriched uranium will not be available during Fiscal Year 2000. A copy of Dr. Van Dyke's letter dated July 21, 2000 is attached.

Sincerely,


John A. Bernard, Ph.D.
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Dear Mr. Bernard:

In accordance with 10 CFR Part 50.64, "Limitations on the Use of Highly Enriched Uranium in Domestic Non-Power Reactors," you are hereby notified that Federal funding for conversion of your reactor to low enrichment uranium fuel will not be available during Fiscal Year 2000.

You will be notified in the event these circumstances change.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "William A. Van Dyke", followed by a long horizontal flourish.

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