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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attention: Document Control Desk
Washington, DC 20555

Gentlemen,

Subject: Saxton Nuclear Experimental Corporation (SNEC), Operating
License No., DPR-4, Docket No. 50-146
Partial Response to Request for Additional Information, RE:
License Termination Plan, (TAC NO. MA8076) dated November 8,
2000

As discussed in GPU Nuclear Letter E910-00-0018 dated December 4, 2000, TLG Services Inc. was contracted to perform a detailed cost estimate of the remaining cost to decommission the Saxton Nuclear Experimental Corporation (SNEC) Facility. The referenced GPU Nuclear letter indicated that the preliminary estimate for completion of the SNEC Facility decommissioning project was \$14.8 million without contingency. Based on the recently completed cost estimate the remaining cost is now estimated to be \$19.6 million of which \$2.4 million represents contingency and \$1.2 million for overhead costs not included in GPU Nuclear budgets. The remaining \$1.2 million difference is due to \$1.0 million in additional personnel costs and \$0.2 million in additional radioactive waste disposal costs.

Due to GPU Nuclear's decision to issue a contract to complete the Containment Vessel concrete removal project a copy of the TLG Services Inc. cost estimate is not being provided for commercial reasons. However a copy is available at the SNEC Facility site for NRC inspection.

GPU Nuclear's management believes that it's \$14.8 million estimate recently approved by the GPU Nuclear Board (see attachment 1 to GPU Nuclear letter E910-00-0018) in the context of a budget authorization is appropriate and reasonable. GPU Nuclear will continue to monitor the work effort and related costs and will make adjustments in the estimate as deemed appropriate. GPU remains committed to completing the decommissioning process at the SNEC Facility and terminating the license expeditiously.

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If you have any questions regarding this information please contact Mr. James J. Byrne at (717) 948-8461.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G.A. Kuehn Jr.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

G.A. Kuehn Jr.

Program Director, SNEC Facility

Cc: NRC Project Manager
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My commission expires 9-25-2004