

April 2, 2001

MEMORANDUM TO: Janice Dunn Lee, Director
Office of International Programs

FROM: Annette L. Vietti-Cook, Secretary **/RA/**

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - SECY-01-0047 - PROPOSED
LICENSE TO EXPORT HEU TO CANADA FOR USE IN THE
NRU REACTOR TO PRODUCE MEDICAL RADIOISOTOPES

The Commission has acted upon the export license application (XSNM03171) authorizing the export of 10.05 kilograms of HEU to Canada for use in the NRU reactor. The attached letter which reflects the terms of the Commission's final decision should be prepared for immediate signature and dispatch.

As a separate matter, the staff should seek written assurances from the licensee that no additional shipments under license XSNM3060 are planned until after the Commission receives the next annual report on the MAPLE reactor program, which is due to the Commission in May 2001.

Attachment:
As stated

cc: Chairman Meserve
Commissioner Dicus
Commissioner Diaz
Commissioner McGaffigan
Commissioner Merrifield
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CFO
OCA
OIG
OPA
Office Directors, Regions, ACRS, ACNW, ASLBP (via E-Mail)
PDR

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Attachment

Transnuclear, Inc.
Four Skyline Drive
Hawthorne, NY 10532

Attn: J. Mangusi

Dear Mr. Mangusi:

This concerns the application (XSNM03171) submitted on October 23, 2000 by Transnuclear, Inc., on behalf of Atomic Energy of Canada, Ltd. (AECL), for an export license authorizing the shipment of 10.05 kilograms of highly enriched uranium (HEU) metal for use in the NRU reactor at AECL's Chalk River site in Canada to sustain the production of medical isotopes. At the Commission's direction, the staff has issued the attached license. Under the terms of the license, the licensee is authorized to export immediately 5 kilograms of HEU metal for use at the NRU reactor. The remaining 5.05 kilograms of HEU covered by the license is not to be exported until the licensee has provided the Commission with at least 60 days' notice of the export and has updated the status of the NRU reactor and the need for the additional material.

Sincerely

Ronald Hauber
Deputy Director
Office of International Programs

Attachment: License XSNM03171

cc: Robin DeLaBarre, Department of State
Ed Marshall, Department of Energy
Adam Scheinman, Department of Energy
Paul Leventhal, Nuclear Control Institute
James A. Glasgow, Morgan, Lewis & Bockius

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