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(TAC NOS. MA6057 AND MA6058)

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ATTACHMENT 1

APRIL 25, 2001

REVISED DRAFT RESPONSE TO OPEN ITEM 3.5

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ATTACHMENT 2

APRIL 26, 2001

REVISED DRAFT RESPONSE TO OPEN ITEM 3.5

(See ADAMS Accession No. ML011200010)

ATTACHMENT 3

MAY 1, 2001

REVISED DRAFT OPEN ITEM RESPONSES

(See ADAMS Accession Nos. ML011220004, ML011220005, & ML011220006)

ATTACHMENT 4

MAY 2, 2001

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