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In the Matter of
Private Fuel Storage, L.L.C.
(Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation)
Docket No. 72-22-ISFSI

Dear Ms. Chancellor:

This is to confirm our telephone conversation on March 20, 2002, with respect to the Staff's "Final Report" concerning the confirmatory tipover and sliding analysis that was conducted by Dr. Vincent Luk of Sandia National Laboratories on behalf of the NRC Staff. The Staff produced that report to the State of Utah by letter dated March 8, 2002, in partial response to the State of Utah's Seventeenth Set of Discovery Requests Directed to the NRC Staff, dated January 17, 2002.

In our conversation, I informed you that some of the exhibits in the Final Report contain an incorrect label. Specifically, the captions at the bottom of Figures II-2.1 to II-2.8 (Appendix II), and III-2.1 to III-2.8 (Appendix III), incorrectly state that a cask/pad coefficient of friction of 0.80 was utilized in those runs, whereas the captions above those exhibits correctly state this value as 0.20. Second, I indicated that the Staff is conducting two additional computer runs which we expect to conclude next week. Specifically, Dr. Luk is conducting two computer runs which utilize a cask/pad coefficient of friction of 0.80 for the 1971 San Fernando (Pacoima Dam record) and the 10,000-year earthquakes. The results of these runs will be reported in a revision to the Final Report, and would supplement the information contained in Tables 9 and 10 of the Final Report (at page 31).

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions in this regard.

Sincerely,

/RA/

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