

December 18, 2002

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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION OF SAFEGUARDS
INFORMATION RELATING TO INTERIM SECURITY MEASURES FOR
PROTECTION OF SPENT FUEL STORED IN AN ISFSI

Dear Ms. Chancellor:

Your letter to Dr. William D. Travers, dated November 20, 2002, has been referred to me for response. In your letter, you request production of Attachment 2 to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) Order of October 23, 2002, relating to interim security measures for protection of spent fuel stored in an independent spent fuel storage installation (ISFSI). Attachment 2 to the Commission's Order contains Safeguards Information and was not released to the public.

As the basis for your request, you provided a copy of the State of Utah's motion (dated November 7, 2002) before the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board (ASLB) on this matter. The ASLB has not yet ruled on your motion and neither the motion nor the ASLB's disposition of the motion is addressed in this letter.

Your request of November 20, 2002, is related to NRC's ongoing review of the application by Private Fuel Storage, LLC (PFS) for a license to construct and operate an ISFSI on the Reservation of the Skull Valley Band of Goshute Indians, a Federally-recognized Indian Tribe. However, the Commission's Order of October 23, 2002, was not served by the Commission on PFS, and that Order has not been made applicable to the PFS Facility. Nor is the PFS Facility considered to be a facility that will store spent fuel in the near term. As a result, your interest in the Order and the relationship of that Order to the PFS Facility have not been established. Further, you have not provided any other information which would constitute an adequate basis, as required by 10 CFR 73.21(c), to establish your "need to know" this Safeguards Information. Accordingly, your request to receive that information is denied.

D. Chancellor

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If you wish to discuss this matter further, please contact Mr. Mark S. Delligatti, of my staff, at (301) 415-8518, or Mr. Sherwin Turk of the NRC's Office of General Counsel, at (301) 415-1575.

Sincerely,

/RA/
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Docket No.: 72-22

cc: PFS Service Lists

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SUBJECT: Response to Constituent

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