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ATTN: Exemptions, DHM-32
Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety
Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration
U.S. Department of Transportation
400 Seventh Street, SW
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Administrator:

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) requests exemption from the uranium fissile packaging regulations of 49 CFR 173.417(a)(1)(i) and (ii) for equipment determined to contain 350 grams or less of uranium at any enrichment. Additionally, upon approval of the exemption, it is requested that party status be granted to BWXT Y-12 and their transportation subcontractor, Visionary Solutions, LLC.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. James Shuler at (301) 903-5513.

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