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Mr. Samuel J. Collins,
Regional Administrator
US Nuclear Regulatory Commission Region 1
475 Allendale Road
King of Prussia, PA 19406

Reference: License 37-00030-08 and our letter of March 15, 2006

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Dear Mr. Collins,

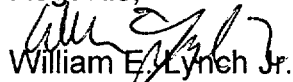
In Item 4 of our letter of March 15, 2006, we advised you that we expected to characterize and ship the high-level pre-2000 tritium waste to Barnwell, South Carolina for disposal by September 2006. This letter is to advise you that we are behind schedule and do not expect to be able to meet our September goal.

This delay has been caused by a number of factors. We did not receive the pre-approval for the use of funds until May 19, 2006 which forced us to push back our contractors start date. This, combined with the scope of work and unforeseen scheduling and weather delays, have combined to push back our completion date.

Nevertheless, the project continues to move forward. The characterization of the waste has been completed and we are currently evaluating the best disposal methods and locations for such disposal. As soon as this is completed and we can confirm the wastes' final destination, we will update you with a detailed plan for its removal.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Regards,


William E. Lynch Jr.
Vice-President

Cc: PA DEP Bureau of Radiation Protection

This is to acknowledge the receipt of your letter/application dated

8/8/2006, and to inform you that the initial processing which includes an administrative review has been performed.

☒ Amendment 37-00030-08 There were no administrative omissions. Your application was assigned to a technical reviewer. Please note that the technical review may identify additional omissions or require additional information.

☐ Please provide to this office within 30 days of your receipt of this card

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