

February 3, 2012

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SUBJECT: JANUARY 16, 2012 10 CFR 20.2002 REQUEST FOR ALTERNATE DISPOSAL
FOR BYPRODUCT AND SPECIAL NUCLEAR MATERIAL FROM THE HEMATITE
DECOMMISSIONING PROJECT

Dear Mr. Copp:

In a letter dated January 16, 2012, you requested that the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) approve an amendment to the Hematite license to permit a 10 CFR 20.2002 alternate disposal of low-activity radioactive material and for the NRC to grant exemptions to 10 CFR 30.3 and 10 CFR 70.3.

We have performed an acceptance review of your submittal and find it sufficient for the NRC staff to begin their review of the proposed changes to the Hematite license. We will be publishing in the *Federal Register* a Notice which will provide for interested parties to provide comments on your request or to request an Opportunity for Hearing for this proposed action.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice for Domestic Licensing Proceedings and Issuance of Orders," a copy of this letter will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the Publicly Available Records component of NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

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