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License No. SNM-1168

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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 07001201/2011006, AREVA, INC., MOUNT
ATHOS ROAD FACILITY, LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA

Dear Ms. Moore:

On October 25, 2011, Mark Roberts of this office conducted a safety inspection at the AREVA, Inc. (AREVA) Mount Athos Road Facility in Lynchburg, Virginia. The inspection consisted of a review of AREVA's remediation activities, including radioactive waste management and transportation, and the inventory of special nuclear material. Additional information provided in your correspondence dated December 22, 2011, was also reviewed as part of the inspection. The findings of the inspection were discussed via teleconference with you and members of your organization on January 19, 2012. Representatives from the NRC's Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS), a representative from the NRC's Region II Division of Fuel Facility Inspection, and a representative from the Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Health also participated in the teleconference. The enclosed report presents the results of this inspection. No violations or safety concerns were identified.

During the teleconference, we also discussed AREVA's request to terminate NRC License No. SNM-1168. As we indicated during the teleconference, the inspection report does not terminate the license; action on your termination request will be taken by the NRC's Office of NMSS. In addition, we briefly discussed the status of the decommissioning financial assurance commitment associated with your NRC license, for which the NRC is currently named as the beneficiary on the financial assurance instrument. AREVA and the Commonwealth of Virginia will need to develop a new financial assurance agreement that names the Commonwealth of Virginia as the beneficiary. AREVA's financial assurance agreement with the NRC will remain in effect until an agreement with the Commonwealth of Virginia becomes effective.

Current NRC regulations and guidance are included on the NRC's website at www.nrc.gov; select **Nuclear Materials; Med, Ind, & Academic Uses**; then **Regulations, Guidance and Communications**. The current Enforcement Policy is included on the NRC's website at www.nrc.gov; select **About NRC, Organizations & Functions; Office of Enforcement; Enforcement documents**; then **Enforcement Policy (Under 'Related Information')**. You may also obtain these documents by contacting the Government Printing Office (GPO) toll-free at 1-866-512-1800. The GPO is open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. EST, Monday through Friday (except Federal holidays).

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No reply to this letter is required. Please contact Mark Roberts at 610-337-5094 if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

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