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Mr. Robin DeLaBarre
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Safety & Security Affairs, Room 3320 HST
Bureau of International Security
& Nonproliferation
U.S. Department of State
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Dear Mr. DeLaBarre:

Enclosed is an application, dated March 6, 2013, received by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, from the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Y-12 National Security Complex, requesting amendment No. 02 to its existing license, XSNM3622/01. The license presently authorizes the licensee to export highly-enriched uranium (HEU) to France for fabrication of fuel and/or targets, which will ultimately be used to operate the BR-2 Research reactor in Belgium or for medical isotope production at the Institute for Radioelements (IRE) facility also in Belgium.

The purpose of the amendment is to add the LVR-15 Research Reactor in the Czech Republic to the existing list of intermediate foreign consignees (BR-2, HFR Petten, and Osiris Research Reactors) where HEU targets will be irradiated to support medical isotope production.

Before taking action on this request, we would appreciate your views, in accordance with established procedures and from the overall perspective of the Executive Branch, as to whether the requested export meets the applicable criteria in the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended.

Please note that DOE has requested expedited review process to support issuance of the export license in April 2013.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Janice E. Owens", is positioned above the typed name.

Janice E. Owens, Branch Chief
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Enclosure:
Application Dated 03/06/2013
XSNM3622/02 – Belgium
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