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Subject: Schedule for Holtec Licensing of HI-STORE Interim Storage Facility  
Docket Number: 72-1051

Reference: [1] Holtec Letter 5025001, "Notice of Intent to License the ELEA Interim Storage Facility and Request to Establish a New Part 72 Docket," from S. Anton (Holtec) to M. Lombard (NRC), dated August 3, 2015

Dear Director Lombard:

We are pleased to inform you that the Site Specific Licensing application to establish a Consolidated Interim Facility, named HI-STORE CIS (Ref [1]), is under preparation in full accord with Regulatory Guide 3.50 and NUREG-1567. Our scheduled date to complete the required work effort to tender a high quality and comprehensive safety documentation to the Commission is Nov 30, 2016.

HI-STORE CIS will be founded on a plot of unused land at least 35 miles from any populated community in Southeast New Mexico that has been secured by Holtec International from ELEA, LLC. Holtec International will build and operate the facility which will be hosted by ELEA, LLC.

This site specific license application will be supported by the FSAR and Technical Specification for the HI-STORM UMAX canister storage system (Docket # 72-1040) which will be the only storage system deployed at the HI-STORE CIS. The list of contents for HI-STORM UMAX, which is envisaged to serve as a universal storage system for all canisters presently licensed by the NRC and loaded at a US ISFSI, is being expanded through a license amendment request to include the (horizontally disposed) NUHOMS 24PT canister presently deployed at SONGS. This amendment request to the "UMAX" general certificate is planned to be submitted on August 29, 2016.

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We would greatly appreciate your consideration of our request to plan the deployment of the necessary review and management resources corresponding to the above submittal dates for an expeditiously conducted review.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Stefan Anton', is written in a cursive style.

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