

April 19, 2016

MEMORANDUM TO: Andrea Kock, Deputy Director  
Division of Decommissioning, Uranium Recovery  
and Waste Programs  
Office of Nuclear Material Safety  
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SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATION AND REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF  
MATERIALS DECOMMISSIONING PROJECT MANAGER  
QUALIFICATION FOR JAMES SMITH

As provided for in Section 1248-07 (Qualification Journal Completion) of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Inspection Manual Chapter (IMC)-1248, "Formal Qualifications Program for Federal and State Material and Environmental Management Programs," dated April 18, 2013, this memorandum recommends that Mr. James Smith be granted qualification as a Qualified Materials Decommissioning Project Manager. Furthermore, I have determined that no Qualification Board was needed.

Mr. Smith was qualified as a Fuel Cycle Project Manager in 2004, in the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, Division of Fuel Cycle Safety and Safeguards. Additionally, he has completed the following materials decommissioning related courses: 1) Advanced Health Physics (H-201); 2) Multi-Agency Radiation Survey and Site Investigation Manual (H-121); 3) RESRAD (H-410); 4) The Princeton Groundwater Pollution and Hydrology; 5) The Argonne National Laboratory's Facility Decommissioning; and 6) Environmental Monitoring for Radioactivity (H-111).

I have determined that a Qualification Board under Section 1248-08 of IMC-1248 was not needed because he possesses sufficient knowledge, education, skills, abilities, and prior experience as evidenced by his previous qualification and his approximately 26 years of experience at the NRC. He has demonstrated knowledge and application of NRC requirements, policies, Management Directives, guidance and review procedures, and office and division procedures in his many technical and management reviews.

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His formal education, together with the additional training and extensive work experience at the NRC, provide me with substantial evidence of his capability to perform project management tasks related to the Materials Decommissioning Branch activities. Therefore, Mr. Smith can complete all the job activities of and should be granted signature authority as a Qualified Materials Decommissioning Project Manager.

Approved: /RA/  
Andrea Kock, Deputy Director

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