

November 14, 2016

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SUBJECT: UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN – DETERMINATION OF ACCEPTABILITY FOR DOCKETING AND OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING REGARDING THE APPLICATION FOR THE RENEWAL OF FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. R-129 FOR THE NUCLEAR ENGINEERING TEACHING LABORATORY TRIGA RESEARCH REACTOR (TAC NO. ME7694)

Dear Dr. Biegalski:

By letter dated December 12, 2011 (available on the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's [NRC] public website, www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html, in the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System [ADAMS], Accession No. ML12156A097), as supplemented on January 17, (two letters) (ADAMS Accession No. ML12156A196 and ML12030A102), February 21, (ADAMS Accession No. ML12061A009), September 17, (ADAMS Accession No. ML12307A071), and December 19, 2012 (ADAMS Accession No. ML13002A015); March 22, (ADAMS Accession No. ML13091A006), and August 21, 2013 (ADAMS Accession No. ML13246A014); July 15, (ADAMS Accession No. ML15211A638), October 23, (ADAMS Accession No. ML15313A027), August 26, (ADAMS Accession No. ML15251A234), and December 22, 2015 (ADAMS Accession No. ML16015A052); February 5, (ADAMS Accession No. ML16053A094), April 13, (ADAMS Accession No. ML16103A110), and May 2, 2016 (ADAMS Accession No. ML16132A239), the University of Texas (UT) at Austin submitted an application to the NRC for renewal of Facility Operating License No. R-129 for the Nuclear Engineering Teaching Laboratory Training, Research, Isotope Production, General Atomics Research Reactor.

Based on the review of the application, the NRC staff has determined that the UT at Austin has submitted sufficient information such that the application is acceptable for docketing in accordance with Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) 50.33, "Contents of applications; general information," and 10 CFR 50.34, "Contents of applications; technical information." However, this determination does not preclude requests for additional information as NRC's review proceeds. A Notice of Docketing and Opportunity for Hearing regarding the application has been forwarded to the Office of the Federal Register for publication.

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If you have any questions regarding this review, please contact me at 301-415-2856, or via electronic mail at Michael.Balazik@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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