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Attn: Document Control Desk
Director, Division of Security Operations
Office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555-0001

SUBJECT: Completion of License Condition 14 for Materials Licenses SNM-2504 and 2508 (Docket 72-09 and 72-20) and License Condition 17 of Material License 2512 (Docket 72-25) (EM-NRC-16-024)

REFERENCES: (1) Planned Replacement of the Entity contracted by Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office to perform the Management and Operation Contractor of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Licensed Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installations (License Numbers SNM-2504, SNM- 2508, SNM-2512) (EM-FMDP-15-021)

Dear Sir or Madam:

Reference 1 provided notification, pursuant to license conditions 14 and 17 of Special Nuclear Material Licenses 2504, 2508, and 2512, of a planned change of operating contractor for the U.S. Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office (DOE-ID), U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Licensed Facilities. On April 1, 2016, Spectra Tech Inc., (STI) a small business contractor, completed transition and assumed full responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the Fort Saint Vrain and Three Mile Island-2 Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installations (ISFSI) and the Idaho Spent Fuel Storage Facility License.

License conditions 14 and 17 state, "Within 180 days after the replacement of the M&O contractor, the licensee shall assess the performance of the M&O contractor and provide a statement to the NRC verifying that the replacement of the M&O contractor has had no effect on the execution of licensed responsibilities for the ... ISFSI." DOE-ID has completed a program review to verify that there has been no negative effect on the execution of licensed responsibilities. DOE-ID's oversight of programmatic activities and assessments of STI programs has revealed no negative effect on license implementation and compliance. However, DOE-ID has recognized some STI program elements are still reliant on previous contractor support infrastructure and, in some instances, are still being finalized as stand-alone programs. DOE-ID will continue to monitor operating contractor performance, but has evaluated STI's performance and concluded there has been no negative effect on the execution of licensed responsibilities.

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Please direct any questions to myself at (208) 526-5531 or Mr. Steve Ahrendts at (208) 526-8888.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott E. Ferrara", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Scott E. Ferrara
Facility Director

cc:

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David Bland, STI