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SUBJECT: GROUP 1 AND 2 DECOMMISSIONING ACTIVITY APPROVAL

The Department of the Navy (DON) currently understands that as a Master Materials Licensee, it retains the right to perform group 1 and 2 decommissioning as defined in NUREG-1757, Volume 1, Revision 2 without prior U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) approval.

NUREG-1556, Volume 10 Revision 1, "Consolidated Guidance About Materials Licenses: Program-Specific Guidance About Master Materials Licenses" provides guidance to entities possessing Master Materials Licenses (MMLs), and is the applicable guidance document for DON MML No. ~~45-26345-01NA~~ *45-23645-C1 NA dmg*  
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NUREG-1556 Volume 10, Section 5.10.15, "Decommissioning," states, in part, "The MML is responsible for reviewing and approving simple decommissioning, that is, decommissioning activities that do not require a DP (Decommissioning Plan) and involve unrestricted releases with or without screening criteria (i.e., decommissioning groups 1 and 2 as defined in NUREG-1757, Volume 1, Revision 2, Chapter 7, pp. 7-1 to 7-5.)"

Additionally, the NRC response to the U.S. Air Force Technical Assistance Request of April 29, 1998 "Technical Assistance Request – U.S. Air Forces Request for Clarification of Approval of Decommissioning Plans Submitted in Accordance with 10CFR Part 30.36" states, in part, "In general, the NRC allows MMLs to assume the responsibility of regulating permittees if decommissioning activities do not require submittal of a DP and for relatively simple DP's....Simple decommissionings will be the responsibility of the MML."

The DON, via the Naval Radiation Safety Committee, will review and approve decommissioning activities that do not require a DP, (i.e., group 1 and 2 decommissioning) as defined in NUREG-1757, Volume 1, revision 2, without prior NRC approval for each independent decommissioning activity.

If you have additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact me via telephone at (703) 695-5259 or through electronic mail at [douglas.w.fletcher@navy.mil](mailto:douglas.w.fletcher@navy.mil).

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## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT - RECEIPT OF CORRESPONDENCE

## Name and Address of Applicant and/or Licensee

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October 12, 2016

## License Number(s)

45-23645-01NA

## Mail Control Number(s)

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## Licensing and/or Technical Reviewer or Branch

Shawn Seeley

This is to acknowledge receipt of your: ☒ Letter and/or ☐ Application Dated: October 11, 2016

The initial processing, which included an administrative review, has been performed.

☒ Amendment ☐ Termination ☐ New License ☐ Renewal

☒ There were no administrative omissions identified during our initial review.

☐ This is to acknowledge receipt of your application for renewal of the material(s) license identified above. Your application is deemed timely filed, and accordingly, the license will not expire until final action has been taken by this office.

☐ Your application for a new NRC license did not include your taxpayer identification number. Please complete and submit NRC Form 531, Request for Taxpayer Identification Number, located at the following link: <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/forms/nrc531.pdf>  
Follow the instructions on the form for submission.

☐ The following administrative omissions have been identified:

Your application has been assigned the above listed MAIL CONTROL NUMBER. When calling to inquire about this action, please refer to this control number. Your application has been forwarded to a technical reviewer. Please note that the technical review, which is normally completed within 180 days for a renewal application (90 days for all other requests), may identify additional omissions or require additional information. If you have any questions concerning the processing of your application, our contact information is listed below:

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