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SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY, ACCEPTANCE OF FINANCIAL ASSURANCE,
MAIL CONTROL NO. 610704

Dear COL Descarreaux:

We have reviewed the Statement of Intent, Certification of Financial Assurance, and Decommissioning Funding Plan dated November 8, 2018, to meet the financial assurance requirements for your license. We have no further questions at this time.

The following documents currently provide your financial assurance:

Certification of Financial Assurance submitted in letter dated November 8, 2018
[ML18346A501]
Statement of Intent dated November 8, 2018 [ML18346A501]
Decommissioning Cost Estimate submitted in letter dated November 8, 2018
[ML18346A501]

Your organization uses a Decommissioning Funding Plan (DFP) to determine the amount of financial assurance necessary to fund all decommissioning activities. 10 CFR 30.35(e)(2) requires that, at the time of license renewal and at intervals not to exceed three years, the DFP must be resubmitted with adjustments as necessary to account for changes in costs and the extent of contamination. Your currently approved DFP was submitted on November 8, 2018; therefore, your DFP must be re-submitted with your license renewal on or before May 30, 2021. The DFP must update the information submitted with the original or prior approved DFP, and must specifically consider the effect of the following events on decommissioning costs: (1) spills of radioactive material producing additional residual radioactivity in onsite subsurface material; (2) waste inventory increasing above the amount previously estimated; (3) waste disposal costs increasing above the amount previously estimated; (4) facility modifications; (5) changes in authorized possession limits; (6) actual remediation costs that exceed the previous cost estimate; (7) onsite disposal; and (8) use of a settling pond. If the amount of the financial assurance instrument will be adjusted to match the DFP, this cannot be done until the updated DFP is approved by the NRC. If the financial assurance instrument is revised (amended) to change the amount of financial assurance obligated, then you will need to also submit a revised Certificate of Financial Assurance (CFA) with the new amount.

We will return the original copies of superseded documents under separate cover

Your cooperation is appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dennis R. Lawyer", with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

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