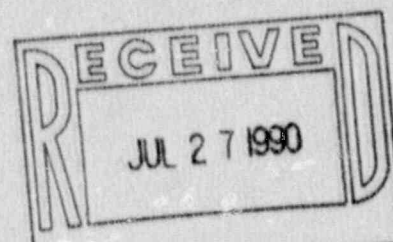




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Subject: Availability of Funds for Future Decommissioning of the
Nuclear Science Center Reactor as Per the Reporting
Requirements of 10CFR50.33(k)

Gentlemen:

Certification is herewith given by the Texas Engineering Experiment Station (Licensee) that a request will be made to the State of Texas Legislature for the appropriation of funds for the decommissioning and decontamination of the Nuclear Science Center Reactor (NSCR) once a future decision for final shutdown is made. The cost estimate for decommissioning the NSCR in FY-90 dollars is 4.3 million. This estimate is based on a cost study for decommissioning the Washington State University reactor facility conducted by the Westinghouse Electric Corporation in February 1988. The cost estimate for the 1 MW TRIGA WSU reactor was 3.842 million FY-88 dollars. This figure has been adjusted upward for the NSCR due to a significant difference in building structures for the two facilities. It will be necessary to shore up the NSCR building structure prior to the removal of any reactor pool shielding as all floor levels of the facility are tied to the concrete pool wall structure. The estimated decommissioning figure of 4.3 million FY-90 dollars for the

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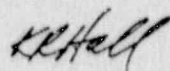
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NSCR will in future years require adjustment to account for increased inflation costs and uncertain increases in other cost factors.

Sincerely,



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Mr. F. Jennings, Chairman, Reactor Safety Board
Mr. T. Michaels, Project Manager, USNRC, Washington, D.C.
Mr. D.E. Feltz, Director, Nuclear Science Center

Sworn to before me the undersigned authority this 9th day of July,
1990.



Barbara Blaine Smith
Notary Public
In and For Brazos County, Texas
Commission expires 10-8-90