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Nuclear Division

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 Division of Licensing and Regulations
 United States Atomic Energy Commission
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Gentlemen:

Our Source Material License (No. STB-440) for the processing of Nigerian Zircon Ore is due to expire October 31, 1967. This letter is a request for renewal of this license.

The following information is provided to bring your group up to date on the processing of Nigerian Ore at our Parkersburg facilities. The processing of Nigerian Ore at our Parkersburg plant was stopped in 1964 for economic reasons. At that time, we put all the Nigerian Ore and the Thorium-containing residues from the process in storage. These materials are still in storage at our Parkersburg plant. A study is presently being made to determine the economic feasibility of further processing the ore. Another study is being conducted to determine the most economical method of disposing of the Thorium-containing residues.

In the event that we should resume the processing of the Nigerian Ore, it is requested that our license (No. STB-440) be renewed for a period of five years.

If further information is required for renewal of our present Source Material License, please so advise.

Sincerely yours,

R. W. Ritchey
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 Plant Manager

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