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October 22, 1985

Harold R. Denton
Director
Nuclear Reactor Regulation
United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D. C. 20555

Docket No. 50-77

License No. R-31

Dear Mr. Denton:

The Catholic University of America requests a change in facility license R-31 to authorize "possession-only" status. Approval of this request will assure protective storage of the reactor and the reactor fuel by the remaining CUA staff while more specific plans for de-commissioning the facility are being finalized. Proposed amended technical specifications are attached. The purpose of this requested amendment is to delete administrative, calibrational, and/or performance requirements upon systems and components which are no longer operational.

The reactor is in a continued shut-down mode with the fuel-bearing control rods removed from the reactor. The control rods are stored in a locked facility separate from the reactor. The fuel core is in the reactor with the water shield in place.

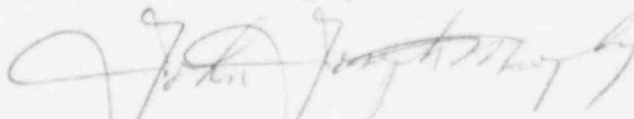
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Your review and approval of these amendments is respectfully requested.

Very truly yours,

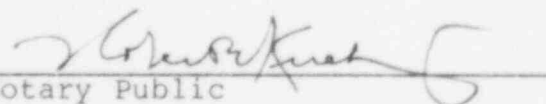


John Joseph Murphy
Executive Vice President

Enclosure: Proposed amended technical specifications.

District of Columbia:

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd day of
October 1985.


Notary Public

My commission expires June 14, 1986