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SUBJECT: CRITICALITY SAFETY PROGRAM UPDATE (TAC NO. L30937)

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We are pleased to know from your December letter that the progress on the CSPU is essentially on schedule. Your cooperation in keeping us informed of the progress of the CSPU is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

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