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UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

October 25, 1985



John H. Frye, III
Administrative Judge
Atomic Safety and Licensing
Board Panel
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

In the Matter of
SEQUOYAH FUELS CORP.
(Sequoyah Facility)
Docket No. 40-8027; ASLBP No. 85-513-03-ML

MLA

Dear Judge Frye:

In your Memorandum and Order (Ruling on Petitions to Intervene), dated September 26, 1985, you requested the NRC staff to indicate whether the environmental information submitted by the licensee, Sequoyah Fuels Corporation (SFC), was adequate to permit the Staff to prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) of the proposed amendment to permit construction and operation of additional facilities for the conversion of depleted uranium hexafluoride (UF_6) to uranium tetrafluoride (UF_4). The environmental information submitted by SFC is adequate to permit preparation of an EA. Environmental information in support of the application was submitted on April 22, 1985 and was supplemented on June 21 and July 5, 1985. In addition, Docket Number 40-8027 includes environmental information submitted by SFC in support of its request for renewal of Source Material License No. SUB-1010, which is being used by the Staff in the preparation of its EA. License No. SUB-1010 was renewed on September 20, 1985 and a copy of the EA supporting that renewal was sent to you and the parties to this proceeding by my letter dated October 3, 1985.

The Memorandum and Order also requested the Staff's schedule for completion of the EA and the review of the SFC license amendment request. The Staff expects to issue its EA no later than November 30, 1985 and has a target date for the EA of November 15, 1985. The Staff also expects to have prepared by that date a draft Safety Evaluation Report (SER) on the amendment application. The Staff will promptly upon its issuance provide you and the

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