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RE: SEQUOYAH FUELS CORPORATION (Sequoyah Facility)
Docket No. 40-8027 - *MLA*

Dear Mr. Dowding:

This is in response to your request of December 12 to delay the hearing concerning Sequoyah Fuels Corporation's application which is presently before me. At the request of Native Americans for a Clean Environment Client Council, that hearing has already been postponed from December 17-18 to January 7-8. Your organization, PASE, has been granted the opportunity to make a limited appearance statement at the hearing.

Requests such as yours are entertained only from parties to a proceeding. PASE did not seek to become a party. In any event, it is not possible to further delay the hearing.

Your letter refers to a new uranium enrichment facility. The application pending before me is for a conversion facility which would convert depleted uranium hexafluoride to depleted uranium tetrafluoride. It is not for an enrichment facility. To the extent that the health survey to which you refer is relevant to issues pending before me, I am sure the parties will bring it up at the hearing.

Sincerely,

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John H. Frye, III
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