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Ms. Heather Astwood Licensing Section 2 Licensing Branch Div. of Fuel Cycle Safety & Safeguards, NMSS Washington, DC 20555-0001

Dear Ms. Astwood:

As you are aware, John Hunter, General Manager of Fansteel-Muskogee, retired from active service as of January 1, 2000. He has, however, been retained by Fansteel to direct Fansteel's decommissioning effort for the Muskogee facility. He will continue to be your point of contact for the Fansteel Muskogee site decommissioning. When he is not at the site, he may be reached at his home office, (918) 682-0242.

In another matter, Fansteel's Decommissioning Plan Funding Assurance (DPFA) is running a little late due to utilizing resources on other NRC matters. It was previously stated that the DPFA would be delivered by the end of January, but the submittal date will now be February 15.

Should you have any questions on any of the above, please feel free to contact Fansteel at any time.

Sincerely.

CHAFL J. MOCNIAK Vice-President, Secretary & **General Counsel**

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cc: Document Control Room, NRC

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