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Mr. Robin DeLaBarre Non-Proliferation/Nuclear Energy Affairs (NP/NEA) Department of State Washington, DC 20520

Dear Mr. DeLaBarre:

Enclosed is an application for a license (XSNM03135), recently received by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, for the export of natural and low-enriched uranium, in the form of dry, non-irradiated concentrates, for conversion into uranium dioxide powder form at the Ulba Metallurgical Plant in Kazakhstan and return to the U.S.

Before taking action on this request, we would appreciate your views, in accordance with established procedures and from the overall perspective of the Executive Branch, as to whether the requested export meets the applicable criteria in the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended.

Sincerely,

Ronald D. Hauber, Deputy Director Office of International Programs

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Enclosure: Appl. Dtd. 01/13/00

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