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BEFORE THE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

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In the Matter of:)) I	Docket No. 72-22-ISFSI
PRIVATE FUEL STORAGE, LLC)) A	ASLBP No. 97-732-02-ISFSI
(Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation))) F	February 7, 2000

STATE OF UTAH'S UNOPPOSED REQUEST TO MODIFY DEPOSITION SCHEDULE FOR UTAH CONTENTION H

The State of Utah hereby requests an extension of the February 15, 2000, deadline for taking discovery against the NRC Staff on Contention H, so that it can take the deposition of NRC Staff member Jack Guttman on March 10, 2000. The State and Private Fuel Storage L.L.C. ("PFS") had previously arranged to conduct depositions of their experts regarding Contention H on March 8 and 9, 2000. By scheduling the Guttman deposition for March 10, the State hopes to be able to consolidate its depositions on Contention H into one three-day period.

The State notes that it has an outstanding discovery dispute with the NRC Staff regarding the scope of knowledge required of the NRC Staff deponent. The Staff has agreed to produce an individual who is knowledgeable about the PFS thermal design and the Holtec HI-STORM 100 thermal design. The State also seeks to depose an individual who is knowledgeable about the HI-STAR 100 thermal design. The State is attempting to resolve this issue informally with the Staff, but anticipates that it may be necessary to come back to the Board for permission to schedule the deposition of another NRC Staff

witness regarding Contention H. It is not yet clear whether this will be necessary.

Neither the NRC Staff nor PFS objects to the requested extension.

DATED this 7th day of February, 2000.

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