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UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

December 9, 2020

Ms. Elise Malek
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SUBJECT: WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC COMPANY, LLC – AMENDMENT 25 TO
MATERIAL LICENSE SNM-1107, EXEMPTION FOR ALTERNATE DISPOSAL OF
SPECIFIC WASTE (ENTERPRISE PROJECT IDENTIFIER L-2020-LLL-0009)

Dear Ms. Malek:

In response to your letter dated May 8, 2020 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System [ADAMS] Accession No. ML20129J934), as supplemented on September 22, 2020 (ADAMS Accession No. ML20266G551) and October 12, 2020 (ADAMS Accession No. ML20287A545), and pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Sections 20.2002, 70.11 and 30.11, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is granting an exemption from the requirements in 10 CFR 70.3 "License requirements," and 10 CFR 30.3 "Activities requiring license, and issuing a conforming license amendment to allow Westinghouse to transfer certain specific waste containing byproduct and special nuclear material to the US Ecology Idaho, Inc. RCRA Subtitle C disposal facility near Grand View, Idaho.

Safety Condition S-11 of your license is added and states:

- S-9 The licensee is granted an exemption from the requirements of 10 CFR 70.3 and 10 CFR 30.3, pursuant to 10 CFR 30.11 and 10 CFR 70.11, to allow it to transfer, for disposal, specific waste material from a) the East Lagoon, b) the East Lagoon liner, c) soils excavated from below the liner, solid CaF₂ sludge previously dredged from the Calcium Fluoride Lagoons on the site and placed in a storage pile (all of this material is known to contain <0.5 weight percent U-235) and d) UF₆ cylinders previously used for shipping that have gone through an internal wash/rinse process following their last use and are internally contaminated with SNM to the US Ecology Idaho, Inc. (USEI) Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Subtitle C disposal facility near Grand View, Idaho as described in its submittals of May 8, 2020, September 22, 2020, and October 12, 2020.

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Condition 1 is also modified to reflect WEC's submittals in association with this request. All other conditions of this license shall remain the same. The amended license, safety evaluation report, exemption notice, and environmental assessment (EA) are enclosed. The EA was published in the *Federal Register* at 85 FR 79228. The exemption notice will also be published in the *Federal Register*. This letter concludes staff action on this request, and Enterprise Project Identifier L-2020-LLL-0009 is considered closed.

In accordance with 10 CFR Section 2.390 of the NRC's "Agency Rules of Practice and Procedure," a copy of this letter will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from ADAMS. ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact David Tiktinsky of my staff at 301-415-8740 or via e-mail at David.Tiktinsky@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

Damaris Marcano, Acting Chief
Fuel Facilities Licensing Branch
Division of Fuel Management
Office of Nuclear Material Safety
and Safeguards

Docket No. 70-1151
License No. SNM-1107

Enclosures:

1. Safety Evaluation Report (Public)
2. Amendment 25 – SNM License 1107 (Public)
3. Amendment 25 – SNM License 1107 (Non-Public)
4. Exemption *Federal Register* Notice
5. Environmental Assessment *Federal Register* Notice

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