

SAFEGUARDS INFORMATION

October 31, 2003

Mr. Paul D. Hinnenkamp
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**SUBJECT: ISSUANCE OF ORDER FOR INTERIM SAFEGUARDS AND SECURITY
COMPENSATORY MEASURES FOR RIVER BEND POWER STATION**

Dear Mr. Hinnenkamp:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or Commission) has issued the enclosed Order that modifies the general license for your proposed independent spent fuel storage installation (ISFSI) to require compliance with the specified interim safeguards and security compensatory measures (ICMs). The ICMs are listed in Attachment 1 (contains Safeguards Information (SGI)) to the enclosed Order. The Commission has determined that additional security measures are required following the events of September 11, 2001, and concluded that the security measures should be embodied in an Order, consistent with the established regulatory framework. Due to the current threat environment, the requirements of the enclosed Order must be in place prior to your initiating operations of your ISFSI.

These actions are interim and the basis for the Order is the need to take prudent actions to address security requirements in the current threat environment. This Order does not obviate the need for licensees to continue to meet and maintain the effectiveness of existing security measures taken in response to the events of September 11, 2001. The requirements will remain in effect pending notification from the Commission that a significant change in the threat environment has occurred, or the NRC determines that other changes are needed.

The enclosed Order calls for responses and actions within specified time frames.

WARNING: Violation of Section 147 of the Atomic Energy Act, "Safeguards Information" is subject to Civil and Criminal Penalties

NOTICE: Upon removal of Attachment 1 to the Order and Enclosure 3 to the Order, this document and enclosed Order are DECONTROLLED

Safeguards Information determination made by:
Name/Title M. Wayne Hodges, Dep. Dir., SFPO
Organization NMSS/SFPO
Basis 73.21
Signature /RA/ Date 10/31/03

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As a separate matter, if the licensee wishes to preserve its right to request a hearing on any requirement contingent upon completion of an analysis or other requirement, a request for an extension of time to request a hearing must be filed within 20 days of the date of this Order in accordance with Section IV of the Order. Such a request may seek a reasonable period of time to request a hearing beyond the date that the staff informs the licensee whether the actions proposed and completion date for the requirement(s), contingent upon an analysis or other requirement, are satisfactory.

Please contact the following individuals, Paul J. Kelley, Jr., of the Office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response at 301-415-6101, or Mary Jane Ross-Lee of my staff at 301-415-3781, to facilitate resolution of any issues related to compliance with the requirements in the enclosed Order, or if you have any other questions. The enclosed Order has been forwarded to the Office of the Federal Register for publication.

Sincerely,
/RA/
Martin J. Virgilio, Director
Office of Nuclear Material Safety
and Safeguards

Docket No. 72-49

- Enclosures:
1. Order
 2. Order Attachment 1 - Interim
Compensatory Measures for
Dry Independent Spent Fuel
Storage Installations (**SGI**)
 3. Regulatory Issue Summary
2002-12D (**SGI**)

cc w/enclosure 1 only: See next page.

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