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March 19, 2014

Mr. Kelly D. Trice President and Chief Operating Officer Shaw AREVA MOX Services Savannah River Site P.O. Box 7097 Aiken, SC 29804-7097

SUBJECT: APPLICANT PERFORMANCE REVIEW OF AUTHORIZED CONSTRUCTION

ACTIVITIES FOR SHAW AREVA MOX SERVICES, MIXED OXIDE FUEL

FABRICATION FACILITY, DOCKET NUMBER 70-3098

Dear Mr. Trice:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff has completed a performance review of the Mixed Oxide Fuel (MOX) Fabrication Facility (MFFF) construction activities authorized by the NRC. The review covered the period from January 1, 2013, through December 31, 2013. The purpose of this letter is to inform you of our assessment of your safety performance during this period and any changes to our planned inspections at your facility.

The applicant performance review concluded that overall MFFF construction activities were conducted in a manner that was consistent with the Commission's rules and regulations and the conditions of your construction authorization. Our inspections indicated that your construction program was sufficiently implemented to support ongoing construction activities. Shaw AREVA MOX Services management and quality assurance oversight adequately monitored and assessed onsite construction activities. The corrective action program implementation activities, including initiation, classification, disposition, adequacy in the documentation, and trending were deemed satisfactory. In conclusion, project performance for this assessment period was acceptable.

Because no actual or potentially risk significant recurring items were identified during this assessment period, no areas were identified as meeting the definition of an area needing improvement in accordance with NRC Inspection Manual Chapter (IMC) 2630, "Mixed Oxide Fuel Fabrication Facility Construction Inspection Program," and IMC 2604 (revision dated June 28, 2002), "Licensee Performance Review." Thus, we plan to conduct routine inspections of the principle systems, structures, and components consistent with IMC 2630, commensurate with on-going activities at the MFFF. Therefore, it is crucial that you keep us apprised of any project or schedule changes as soon as they are identified, in order to maintain our inspection plan current. Your staff will be informed of changes and/or additions to our inspection schedule.

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At this time, we do not plan on conducting a public meeting to discuss the results of this letter. In the event that our inspection program changes significantly, we will determine the feasibility of a public meeting to discuss these changes.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the Publicly Available Records (PARS) component of NRC's document system (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <a href="http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html">http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html</a> (the Public Electronic Reading Room).

Please refer questions and comments about our review of Shaw AREVA MOX Services' performance and planned inspections to William Gloersen, who can be reached by telephone at 404-997-4443.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Deborah A. Seymour, Chief Division of Construction Projects

Docket No. 70-3098

Construction Authorization No. CAMOX-001

Enclosure: Applicant Performance Review

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Letter to Kelly Trice from Deborah Seymour dated March 19, 2014.

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# APPLICANT PERFORMANCE REVIEW FOR SHAW AREVA MOX SERVICES ASSESSMENT PERIOD: January 1, 2013 – December 31, 2013

The following is a summary of the performance of Shaw AREVA MOX Services in the conduct of NRC authorized activities.

#### I. FUNCTIONAL AREA: MANAGEMENT MEASURES

This area is comprised of quality assurance activities, including program implementation; design and document control; control and inspection of materials, equipment and services; problem identification, resolution, and corrective action; 10 CFR Part 21 reporting; control of electronic management data; and safety function interfaces.

# **Program Area Needing Improvement**

No specific areas needing improvement were identified.

#### II. FUNCTIONAL AREA: FACILITY CONSTRUCTION

This area is comprised of facility construction activities, including onsite construction activities, engineering activities, and supplier and vendor fabrication activities.

# **Program Area Needing Improvement**

No specific areas needing improvement were identified.

## III. FUNCTIONAL AREA: SPECIAL TOPICS

This area is comprised of licensing activities, including the Fundamental Nuclear Material Control Plan and the Security Plan.

# **Program Areas Needing Improvement**

No specific areas needing improvement were identified.