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# CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE FOR RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL PACKAGES

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### 2. PREAMBLE

- a. This certificate is issued to certify that the package (packaging and contents) described in Item 5 below meets the applicable safety standards set forth in Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 71, "Packaging and Transportation of Radioactive Material."
- b. This certificate does not relieve the consignor from compliance with any requirement of the regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation or other applicable regulatory agencies, including the government of any country through or into which the package will be transported.
- 3. THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED ON THE BASIS OF A SAFETY ANALYSIS REPORT OF THE PACKAGE DESIGN OR APPLICATION
- a. ISSUED TO (Name and Address)
  Global Nuclear Fuel Americas, LLC
  P.O. Box 780
  Wilmington, NC 28402
- TITLE AND IDENTIFICATION OF REPORT OR APPLICATION NEDO-33869, Revision 11, Global Nuclear Fuel -Americas, LLC, application dated September 2022, as supplemented.

### 4. CONDITIONS

This certificate is conditional upon fulfilling the requirements of 10 CFR Part 71, as applicable, and the conditions specified below.

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- (a) Packaging
  - (1) Model No.: RAJ-II
  - (2) Description

The RAJ-II package is a rectangular box that is 742 millimeters (mm) (29.21 inches (in.)) high by 720 mm (28.35 in.) wide by 5,068 mm (199.53 in) long to transport a maximum of two Boiling Water Reactor (BWR) fuel assemblies or individual rods that meet the ASTM C996 standard of enriched commercial grade uranium, enriched reprocessed uranium, uranium oxide generic pressurized water reactor (PWR) or uranium carbide loose fuel rods in a 5-inch diameter stainless steel pipe.

The RAJ-II packaging is comprised of one inner container and one outer container both made of stainless steel. The inner container is comprised of a double-wall stainless steel sheet structure with alumina silicate thermal insulator filling the gap between the two walls to reduce the heat flowing into the contents in the event of a fire. Polyethylene foam cushioning material is placed on the inside of the inner container for protection of the fuel assembly. The outer container is comprised of a stainless-steel angular framework covered with stainless steel plates. The inner container clamps are installed inside the outer container with a vibro-isolating device between to alleviate vibration occurring during transportation. Wood and honeycomb resin impregnated kraft paper or aluminum are placed as shock absorbers to reduce shock in the event of a drop of the package. The fuel rod cladding and welded end plugs provide primary containment of the radioactive material. The radioactive material is bound in ceramic pellets with limited solubility and minimal propensity to suspend in air.

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# 5.(a)(2) Description (continued)

The approximate dimensions and weights of the package are as follows:

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Maximum gross shipping weight
                                           1,614 kilograms (kg) (3,558 pounds (lbs.))
Maximum weight of inner container
                                           308 kg (679 lbs.)
Maximum weight of outer container
                                           622 kg (1,371 lbs.)
Maximum weight of packaging
                                           930 kg (2,050 lbs.)
Loose rods pipe nominal mass per
                                           106 kg (234 lbs.)
component
Protective case nominal mass per
                                          87 kg (192 lbs.)
component
Dimensions of inner container
                                           4,686 mm (184.49 in.)
       Length
       Width
                                           459 mm (18.07 in.)
       Height
                                           286 mm (11.26 in.)
Dimensions of outer container
       Length
                                           5,068 mm (199.53 in.)
       Width
                                           720 mm (28.35 in.)
       Height
                                           742 mm (29.21 in.)
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# (3) Drawings

This packaging is constructed in accordance with the following Global Nuclear Fuel (GNF) Drawing Nos.:

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(i) Outer Container Drawings
105E3737, Rev. 9
105E3738, Sheet 1, Rev. 11
105E3738, Sheets 2-3, Rev. 10
105E3739, Rev. 6
105E3740, Rev. 7
105E3741, Rev. 4
105E3742, Rev. 5
105E3743, Rev. 7
105E3744, Rev. 8
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## (ii) Inner Container Drawings

105E3745, Sheets 1-4, Rev. 11 105E3746, Rev. 4 105E3747, Rev. 6 105E3748, Rev. 4 105E3749, Rev. 8

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(iii) <u>Contents Containers</u> 105E3773, Rev. 2 0028B98, Rev. 2

# 5.(b) Contents

(1) Type and form of material

Enriched commercial grade uranium or slightly contaminated uranium with trace quantities limits, as defined in ASTM C996, uranium oxide or uranium carbide fuel rods enriched to no more than 8.0 weight percent in <sup>235</sup>U, with limits specified in Tables 1 and 2 below. <sup>238</sup>U, not listed in Table 2, is assumed to be the remainder of the uranium concentration.

Table 1. Maximum Weight of Uranium Dioxide Pellets per Fuel Assembly

Type 8x8 fuel assembly	Type 9x9 fuel assembly	Type 10x10 fuel assembly
235 kg	240 kg	275 kg

Table 2. Maximum Authorized Concentrations

Isotope	Maximum content for 5.0 wt% <sup>235</sup> U	Maximum content for 8.0 wt% <sup>235</sup> U
232U	5.00 x 10 <sup>-8</sup> g/gU	5.00 x 10 <sup>-8</sup> g/gU
234 <sub>U</sub>	2.00 x 10 <sup>-3</sup> g/gU	2.00 x 10 <sup>-3</sup> g/gU
235U	5.00 x 10 <sup>-2</sup> g/gU	8.00 x 10 <sup>-2</sup> g/gU
236U	2.50 x 10 <sup>-2</sup> g/gU	2.50 x 10 <sup>-2</sup> g/gU
<sup>237</sup> Np	1.66 x 10 <sup>-6</sup> g/gU	1.66 x 10 <sup>-6</sup> g/gU
<sup>238</sup> Pu	6.20 x 10 <sup>-11</sup> g/gU	6.20 x 10 <sup>-11</sup> g/gU
<sup>239</sup> Pu	3.04 x 10 <sup>-9</sup> g/gU	3.04 x 10 <sup>-9</sup> g/gU
<sup>240</sup> Pu	3.04 x 10 <sup>-9</sup> g/gU	3.04 x 10 <sup>-9</sup> g/gU
Gamma Emitters	4.4 x 10 <sup>5</sup> MeV - Bq/kgU	4.4 x 10 <sup>5</sup> MeV - Bq/kgU

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# 5.(b) (1) Type and form of material (continued)

- (i) 8 x 8 fuel assemblies comprised of 60 to 64 rods in a square array with a maximum active fuel rod length of 381 cm. The maximum pellet diameter, minimum clad thickness, rod pitch, water rod specifications, and poison rod specification are in accordance with Table 3 below.
- (ii) 9 x 9 fuel assemblies comprised of 72 to 81 rods in a square array with a maximum active fuel rod length of 381 cm. The maximum pellet diameter, minimum clad thickness, rod pitch, water rod specifications, and poison rod specification are in accordance with Table 3 below.
- (iii) 10 x 10 fuel assemblies comprised of 91 to 100 rods in a square array with a maximum active fuel rod length of 385 cm. The maximum pellet diameter, minimum clad thickness, rod pitch, water rod specifications, and poison rod specification are in accordance with Table 3 below.
- (iv) GNF 10 x 10 fuel assemblies comprised of 91 to 100 rods in a square array with a maximum active fuel rod length of 385 cm. The maximum pellet diameter, minimum clad thickness, rod pitch, water rod specifications, and poison rod specification are in accordance with Table 4 below.
- (v) Uranium oxide fuel rods configured loose, in a 5-in. diameter schedule 40 stainless steel pipe/protective case or strapped together. The maximum pellet diameter, minimum clad thickness, and rod specifications are in accordance with Table 5 below.
- (vi) Uranium carbide or generic PWR uranium oxide fuel rods configured loose, in a 5-in. diameter schedule 40 stainless steel pipe. The maximum pellet diameter, minimum clad thickness, and rod specifications are in accordance with Table 5 below.

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Table 3. Fuel Assembly Parameters (CSI=1.0)

Parameter	Units	Туре	Туре	Туре	Туре
Fuel Assembly Type	Rods	8 x 8	9 x 9	FANP 10 x 10	GNF 10 x 10
UO <sub>2</sub> Density	% Theoretical			≤ 98	ı
Number of water rods	Water rods	0, 2 x 2	0, 2-2 x 2	0, 2-2 x 2	0, 2-2 x 2
(See Condition 8)		DE	off-center	off-center	off-center diagonal, 3x3,
,	- AH	nci	diagonal, 3x3	diagonal, 3x3	1-axially varying
	CH		901	•	centered
Number of fuel rods	Number	60 - 64	72 – 81	1	91 - 100
Fuel Rod OD	cm	≥ 1.176	≥ 1.093	≥ 1.000	≥ 1.010
Fuel Pellet OD	cm	≤ 1.05	≤ 0.96		≤ 0.895
Cladding Type	N/A		Ziro	onium Alloy	
Cladding ID	cm	≤ 1.10	≤ 1.02	≤ 0.933	≤ 0.934
Cladding Thickness	cm	≥ 0.038	≥ 0.036	≥ 0.033	≥ 0.038
Active fuel length	cm	≤	381		≤ 385
Fuel Rod Pitch	cm	≤1.692	≤ 1.51	≤ 1.35	≤1.363
<sup>235</sup> U Pellet Enrichment	wt%		≤ 5.0	2	≤ 5.0
Lattice Average Enrichment	wt%		≤ 5.0		≤5.0
Channel Thickness <sup>a</sup>	cm		0.17 - 0.3048		Any
Partial Length Fuel Rods	Fuel Rods	None	≤12	≤14	≤16
Gadolinia Requirements	7		1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1		
Lattice Average Enrichment (CSI=1.0)b	#	/			
≤ 5.0 wt % <sup>235</sup> U	@ wt% Gd <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	7 @ 2 wt %	10 @ 2 wt %	12 @ 2 wt %	12 @ 2 wt %
≤ 4.9 wt % <sup>235</sup> U		7 @ 2 wt %	10 @ 2 wt %	12 @ 2 wt %	11 @ 2 wt %
≤ 4.7 wt % <sup>235</sup> U		6 @ 2 wt %	8 @ 2 wt %	12 @ 2 wt %	11 @ 2 wt %
≤ 4.6 wt % <sup>235</sup> U		6 @ 2 wt %	8 @ 2 wt %	10 @ 2 wt %	10 @ 2 wt %
≤ 4.5 wt % <sup>235</sup> U		6 @ 2 wt %	8 @ 2 wt %	10 @ 2 wt %	9 @ 2 wt %
≤ 4.3 wt % <sup>235</sup> U		6 @ 2 wt %	8 @ 2 wt %	9 @ 2 wt %	9 @ 2 wt %
≤ 4.2 wt % <sup>235</sup> U		6 @ 2 wt %	6 @ 2 wt %	8 @ 2 wt %	8 @ 2 wt %
≤ 4.1 wt % <sup>235</sup> U	A ASS	4 @ 2 wt %	6 @ 2 wt %	8 @ 2 wt %	8 @ 2 wt %
≤ 3.9 wt % <sup>235</sup> U		4 @ 2 wt %	6 @ 2 wt %	6 @ 2 wt %	7 @ 2 wt %
≤ 3.8 wt % <sup>235</sup> U		4 @ 2 wt %	4 @ 2 wt %	6 @ 2 wt %	7 @ 2 wt %
≤ 3.7 wt % <sup>233</sup> U	dop -	2 @ 2 wt %	4 @ 2 wt %	6 @ 2 wt %	6 @ 2 wt %
≤ 3.6 wt % <sup>235</sup> U		2 @ 2 wt %	4 @ 2 wt %	4 @ 2 wt %	5 @ 2 wt %
≤ 3.4 wt % <sup>235</sup> U < 3.3 wt % <sup>235</sup> U	6	2 @ 2 wt %	2 @ 2 wt %	4 @ 2 wt %	4 @ 2 wt %
≤ 3.3 wt % <sup>235</sup> U		2 @ 2 wt %	2 @ 2 wt %	2 @ 2 wt %	3 @ 2 wt %
≤ 3.2 wt % <sup>235</sup> U		2 @ 2 wt %	2 @ 2 wt %	2 @ 2 wt %	2 @ 2 wt %
≤ 3.1 wt % <sup>235</sup> U		None	2 @ 2 wt %	2 @ 2 wt %	1 @ 2 wt %
≤ 2.9 wt % <sup>235</sup> U		None	None	None	None
Polyethylene Equivalent Mass per				•	
assembly <sup>c</sup>	kg	_ ^ 3	11		≤10.2
Thermal Performance Criteriad	MPa		r/t (P <sub>f</sub> 921/293 - P	a) ≤ 31.1 MPa (4,5°	14 psi)

Transport with or without channels is acceptable.

Required gadolinia rods must be distributed symmetrically about the major diagonal. Minimum required number of gadolinia rods applies for full-length rod locations, excluding the lattice peripheral locations. Additional gadolinia rods in other locations are allowed as long as the minimum is met. After seven (7) gadolinia rods, there must be at least one (1) gadolinia rod in at least two out of the four quadrants of the fuel rod array (refer to Section 6.3.4.2, "Fuel Assembly Gadolinia Rod Study (2N=448)," of the application). Polyethylene equivalent mass calculation (refer to Section 6.3.2.2, "Material Specification," of the application)

r/t is the fuel rod inner radius to thickness ratio, P<sub>f</sub> is the absolute fill pressure, and P<sub>a</sub> is atmospheric pressure (refer to Section 3.4.4 of the application)

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Fuel Assembly Type	Rods	8 x 8	9 x 9	FANP 10 x 10	GNF 10 x 10
UO <sub>2</sub> Density	% Theoretical			≤ 98	
Number of water rods	Water rods	0, 2 x 2	0, 2-2 x 2	0, 2-2 x 2	0, 2-2 x 2
(See Condition 8)			off-center	off-center	off-center diagonal, 3x3
			diagonal, 3x3	diagonal, 3x3	1-axially varying
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Fuel Rod Pitch	cm	≤1.692	≤ 1.51	≤ 1.35	≤1.363
<sup>235</sup> U Pellet Enrichment	wt%		≤ 5.0		≤ 8.0
Lattice Average Enrichment	wt%		≤ 5.0		≤ 8.0
Channel Thickness <sup>a</sup>	cm		0.17 - 0.3048	and all the same of the same o	Any
Partial Length Fuel Rods	Fuel Rods	None	≤12	≤14	≤16
Gadolinia Requirements	CAS .				
Lattice Average Enrichment (CSI=1.6)b	#				
< 8.0 wt % <sup>235</sup> U	@ wt% Gd <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	N/A	N/A	N/A	22 @ 2 wt %
≤ 7.9 wt % <sup>235</sup> U		N/A	N/A	N/A	21 @ 2 wt %
< 7.6 wt % <sup>235</sup> U		N/A	N/A	N/A	20 @ 2 wt %
< 7.3 wt % <sup>235</sup> U		N/A	N/A	N/A	19 @ 2 wt %
< 7.0 wt % <sup>235</sup> U		N/A	N/A	N/A	18 @ 2 wt %
≤ 6.7 wt % <sup>235</sup> U		N/A	N/A	N/A	17 @ 2 wt %
< 6.5 wt % <sup>235</sup> U		N/A	N/A	N/A	16 @ 2 wt %
≤ 6.3 wt % <sup>235</sup> U	To by	N/A	N/A	N/A	15 @ 2 wt %
≤ 6.0 wt % <sup>235</sup> U		N/A	N/A A/	N/A	14 @ 2 wt %
≤ 5.8 wt % <sup>235</sup> U		N/A	N/A	N/A	13 @ 2 wt %
≤ 5.5 wt % <sup>235</sup> U			111111		_
	A 159	N/A	N/A	N/A	12 @ 2 wt %
≤ 5.0 wt % <sup>235</sup> U (CSI=1.6) <sup>b</sup>				Ca	Same as
to		1992			CSI=1.0
≤ 3.3 wt % <sup>235</sup> U	S P	BALL NAME			Requirements
≤ 3.2 wt % <sup>235</sup> U			<b>SAM</b>		None
≤ 3.1 wt % <sup>235</sup> U			3		None
$\leq$ 3.2 wt % <sup>235</sup> U $\leq$ 3.1 wt % <sup>235</sup> U $\leq$ 2.9 wt % <sup>235</sup> U		4/1/2			None
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1/0		100	Same as		
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$\leq 3.1 \text{ wt } \%^{235} \text{U}$ $\leq 2.9 \text{ wt } \%^{235} \text{U}$	_1			•	
	I>-		1		
Polyethylene Equivalent Mass per assembly <sup>c</sup>	kg		≤11		≤10.2
Thermal Performance Criteriad	MPa		r/t (P <sub>f</sub> 921/293 - F	P <sub>a</sub> ) ≤ 31.1 MPa (4,5	14 psi)

<sup>(</sup>a) Transport with or without channels is acceptable.

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Polyethylene equivalent mass calculation (refer to Section 6.3.2.2, "Material Specification," of the application)

r/t is the fuel rod inner radius to thickness ratio, Pf is the absolute fill pressure, and Pa is atmospheric pressure (refer to Section 3.4.4 of the application)

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Table 5. Fuel Rod Parameters

Parameter	Units			-	Гуре			
Fuel Assembly Type	N/A	8 x 8 (UO2)	9 x 9 (UO2)	10 x 10 (UO2)	CANDU-14 (UC)	CANDU-25 (UC)	Generic PWR (UO2)	
Fuel Density	% theoretical		≤ 98		≤	≤ 100		
Fuel rod OD	cm	<u>≥</u> 1.10	<u>&gt; 1.02</u>	<u>&gt;</u> 1.00	<u>&gt;</u> 1.340			
Fuel Pellet OD	cm	<u>≤</u> 1.05	<u>&lt; </u> 0.96	<u>&lt; </u> 0.90	<u>&lt;</u> 1.254	<u>&lt;</u> 0.950	<u>&lt; </u> 0.98	
Cladding Type	N/A	Z	Zirconium Alloy		Zir	conium Alloy or S	SS	
Cladding ID	cm	<u>&lt;</u> 1.10	<u>&lt; </u> 1.02	<u>&lt; 1.00</u>	<u>&lt;</u> 1.267	<u>&lt;</u> 0.951	<u>&lt;</u> 1.004	
Cladding Thickness	cm	<u>&gt;</u> 0.038	<u>&gt;</u> 0.036	<u>&gt;</u> 0.038	0	<u>&gt;</u> 0.033		
Active Fuel Length	cm	<u>&lt;</u> 3	81	<u>&lt;</u> 385	< 47.752	<u>&lt; 40.013</u>	<u>&lt;</u> 450	
<sup>235</sup> U Pellet Enrichment	wt.%	<u>&lt; 5</u>	5.0	≤ 8.0		≤ 5.0		
Average Fuel Rod Enrichment	wt.%	<u>&lt; 5</u>	5.0	≤ 8.0		≤ 5.0		
Polyethylene Equivalent Mass <sup>a</sup> per Compartment <sup>b</sup>	kg	Protective Sleeves: Unlimited Protective Sleeves: ≤ 2			≤ 2.3			
E S	Within SS Pipe: Unlimited  Within SS Pipe: ≤ 5.0  wt%: Unlimited / > 5.0 wt% and ≤ 8.0 wt%: ≤ 32.1				Within SS	Pipe: ≤ 27.5		
1		All Other P	acking Materia	ls: Unlimited	All Other	Packing Materia	ls: Unlimited	
Reference Density for Polyethylene	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	Protective Slee	eves: 0.925	7	Protective Sle	eves: 1.005		
Equivalent Mass <sup>a</sup> Calculation <sup>b</sup>	1/0	All Other Pack	aging Materials	s: 0.08	All Other Pack	king Materials: 0.7	70	
Thermal Performance Criteria <sup>f</sup>	MPa	r/t (Pf 921	/293 - Pa) ≤ 31	.1 MPa	r/t (Pf 921/293 - Pa) ≤ 56.3 MPa			
Loose Rod Configuration	N/A	Maximum Number of Rods per Compartment			based on the M		uel Length	
Freely Loose			<u>&lt;</u> 25			N/A		
Packed in 5-in. SS Pipe or Protective Case <sup>c</sup>	No. of fuel rods	≤ 22	≤ 26	≤ 30	≤ 695 <sup>d,e</sup>	<u>&lt;</u> 1,458 <sup>d,e</sup>	<u>&lt;</u> 105 <sup>d</sup>	
Strapped Together			<u>&lt;</u> 25			N/A		

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- a. Polyethylene equivalent mass for packing materials (refer to Section 6.3.2.2 of the application).
- b. Polyethylene packing materials examples: protective sleeves, end caps, and cushioning foam.
- c. Protective case consists of stainless steel (SS) box with lid.
- d. Only in 5-inch SS pipes. Including partial rods: applying dense packing of congruent rods in the pipe will result in maximum number of rods that can physically fit within the pipe to be less than the number provided in the table above.
- e. Allows for dense loading of the relatively short UC rods axially along the length of the component.
- f. r/t is the fuel rod inner radius to thickness ratio, P<sub>f</sub> is the absolute fill pressure, and P<sub>a</sub> is atmospheric pressure (refer to Section 3.4.4 of the application).



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# 5.(b)(2) Maximum quantity of material per package

Total weight of payload contents (fuel assemblies, or fuel rods and rod shipping containers) not to exceed 684 kg (1,508 pounds). The maximum uranium payload is 484 kg (1,069 pounds).

- (i) For the contents ≤ 5.0 wt% and described in 5(b)(1)(i), 5(b)(1)(ii), and 5(b)(1)(iii): two fuel assemblies.
- (ii) For the contents described in 5(b)(1)(v) and 5(b)(1)(vi): allowable number of fuel rods, as specified in Table 5, per compartment (2 compartments per package).
- (iii) For the contents > 5.0 wt% and  $\leq$  8.0 wt%  $^{235}$ U described in 5(b)(1)(iv): two fuel assemblies.
- (c) Criticality Safety Index:

For contents described in 5(b)(1)(i), 5(b)(1)(ii), 5(b)(1)(iii) and limited in 5(b)(2)(i)	1.0
For contents described in 5(b)(1)(v) and 5(b)(1)(vi) and limited in 5(b)(2)(ii)	1.6
For contents described in 5(b)(1)(iv) and limited in 5(b)(2)(iii)	1.6

- 6. In addition to the requirements of Subpart G of 10 CFR Part 71:
  - (a) The package shall be prepared for shipment and operated in accordance with the Package Operations of Chapter 7 of the application.
  - (b) The packaging must meet the Acceptance Tests and Maintenance Program of Chapter 8 of the application.
  - (c) Prior to each shipment, the stainless-steel components of the packaging must be visually inspected. Packages in which stainless steel components show pitting corrosion, cracking, or pinholes are not authorized for transport.
  - (d) If wrapping is used on the unirradiated fuel assemblies, the ends must be assured to be open during the shipment in the package.
- 7. Cluster separators are optional and may be comprised of polyethylene or other plastics. Polyethylene or plastic mass limits shall be determined in accordance with Section 6.3.2.2, "Material Specifications," of the application.

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8. Water rods are limited as shown in Table 3 and Table 4 above.

For 8 x 8 fuel assembly designs, there can be either 0 or 1 water rod, and the water rod location occupies a space equivalent to 2 x 2 fuel rods. This is designated as 0, 2 x 2 in Table 3 and Table 4.

For 9 x 9 and 10 x 10 fuel assembly designs, there can be either 0, 1, or 2 water rods in the assembly, and the water rod location occupies a space equivalent to (a) two 2 x 2 fuel rod equivalent spaces on a diagonal at the center of the assembly, or (b) one 3 x 3 fuel rod equivalent space (9 fuel rods space) in the center of the assembly. These configurations are designated as  $0, 2-2 \times 2$  offcenter diagonal, 3 x 3 in Table 3 and Table 4. Additionally, for GNF 10 x 10 fuel assembly designs, the water rod can occupy a space equivalent to a single 2 x 2 fuel rod equivalent at the bottom of the assembly and expanded at the top; this configuration is designated as 1-axially varying centered in Table 3 and Table 4.

- 9. The package authorized by this certificate is hereby approved for use under the general license provisions of 10 CFR 71.17.
- 10. Transport by air of fissile material is not authorized.
- 11. Revision No. 12 of this certificate may be used until January 31, 2024.
- 12. Expiration date: January 31, 2029.

## REFERENCES

NEDO-33869, Revision 11, Global Nuclear Fuel - Americas, LLC, application dated September 2022 Supplement dated June 12, 2023.

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# UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

SAFETY EVALUATION REPORT
Docket No. 71-9309
Model No. RAJ-II Package
Certificate of Compliance No. 9309
Revision No. 14

## **SUMMARY**

By letter dated July 14, 2023 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System [ADAMS] Accession No. ML23191A150), the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff (the staff) issued Certificate of Compliance (CoC) USA/9309/B(U)F-96, Revision No. 13, to allow for the transportation of GNF 10x10 fuel assemblies with enrichments up to 8 weight percent (wt.%) <sup>235</sup>U.

The issuance of CoC Revision No. 14 corrects an inadvertent error, found in table Nos. 3 and 5 of the CoC, and deletes an underline below the words 5 wt.%. No other changes were made.

## **EVALUATION**

Table No. 3 showed GNF 10x10 fuel assemblies with an enrichment of 8 wt.%  $^{235}$ U. This error occurred when table No. 3 "Fuel Assembly Parameters" was split, for clarity reasons, into two tables (table 3 for CSI=1.0 and table 4 for CSI =1.6). Specifically, in table No. 3 (CSI=1.0), the  $^{235}$ U Pellet Enrichment and Lattice Average Enrichment is  $\leq 5.0$  wt.% for GNF 10x10; it is  $\leq 8.0$  wt.% in table No. 4 for CSI = 1.6.

Table No. 5 of the CoC included two rows for "Polyethylene Equivalent Mass per Compartment." The first row was no longer consistent with table 6-2 of the application and was deleted for clarity. The second row was not modified. An inadvertent underline for the words "5 wt.%" was also removed.

As stated in the SER for Revision No. 13 of the CoC, the polyethylene equivalent mass for 8x8, 9x9, and  $10x10~UO_2$  is unlimited in all cases for rods less than 5 wt.%  $^{235}U$ . For BWR 10x10 rods greater than 5 wt.% but less than 8 wt.%  $^{235}U$ , there is a polyethylene mass limit of 32.1 kg when these rods are stored within the stainless-steel pipe. In all other configurations, the polyethylene mass is unlimited (i.e., there is a mass limit in the stainless-steel pipe when the enrichment X is 5 wt.%  $\leq$  X  $\leq$  8 wt.%  $^{235}U$ ).

## CONCLUSION

Based on the statements and representations in the application, and the conditions listed in the CoC, the staff concludes that the package meets the requirements of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Part 71.

Issued with CoC No. 9309, Revision No. 14.