Department of Energy
Washington, DC 20585

April 13, 2016

Mr. Brad McKeehan
Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc.
1205 Banner Elk Road
Erwin, Tennessee 37650

Dear Mr. McKeehan:

Enclosed is the Department of Energy (DOE) Quality Assurance Program Approval (QAPA), Approval Number 0006, Revision 2, for Nuclear Fuel Service, responding to your email to the DOE Docket Manager dated April 7. This approval is based on DOE's endorsement of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) approval of your Quality Assurance Program (QAP), *Quality Assurance Program for Shipping Packages for Radioactive Material*, Revision 15, dated August 19, 2015, NRC Approval No.71-0249, Revision 15, dated February 26, 2016.

This DOE QAPA satisfies DOE Order 460.1 C, *Packaging and Transportation Safety*, and therefore complies with the provisions in 49 CFR 173.7(d) for DOE to maintain packaging standards equivalent to those specified in 10 CFR Part 71.

The expiration date of Approval Number 0006, Revision 2 is November 30, 2020. If you wish to renew, revise, or terminate the DOE QAPA, please request this action in writing. Any revisions to your QAP shall be submitted and approved by DOE Packaging Certification Program prior to implementation of the proposed changes.

This approval letter also serves as a reminder that DOE Order 460.1 C requires each DOE entity that offers for transportation or transports radioactive material for DOE in Type B or fissile material packaging certified by the Headquarters Certifying Official (HCO) or the NRC shall be registered in writing with the HCO. Refer to the following URL for registration instructions: https://rampac.energy.gov.

If you have any questions, please contact me or Dr. James Shuler of my staff, at (301) 903-5513.

Sincerely,

Frank Marcinowski
Headquarters Certifying Official
Acting Associate Principal Deputy Assistant
Secretary for Environmental Management

Enclosure

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U.S. Department of Energy
QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM APPROVAL
For Type B and Fissile Radioactive Material Packages

1. APPROVAL NUMBER
0006

REVISION
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Pursuant to DOE Order 460.1C, *Packaging and Transportation Safety*, subparagraph 4.a.(3), *Quality Assurance (QA)* directs that each entity that participates in the design, fabrication, procurement, use, or maintenance of a hazardous materials packaging must have a QA Program approved and audited by the Headquarters Certifying Official that satisfies the requirements of 10 CFR Part 71, Subpart H, QA, for certified Type B and fissile radioactive materials packagings. The Contractors Requirements Document in Attachment 1 of Paragraph 6 of the Order imposes the same requirement on DOE contractors. Based on the reliance on statements and representations heretofore made in Block 5 by the organization named in Block 2, the Quality Assurance Program Description identified in Block 5 is hereby approved. This approval is issued to satisfy the requirements of the Order, 49 CFR 173.7.(d), and 10 CFR 71.101. This approval is subject to all applicable rules, regulations, and orders of the U.S. Department of Energy now or hereafter in effect and to any conditions specified below.

2. ORGANIZATION NAME			3. EXPIRATION DATE
Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc.			November 30, 2020
STREET ADDRESS 1205 Banner Hill Road			4. DOCKET NUMBER 2011-004
CITY Erwin	STATE TN	ZIP CODE 37650	

5. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM DESCRIPTION, REVISION, and DATE
Quality Assurance Program for Shipping Packages for Radioactive Material, Revision 15, dated August 19, 2015

6. CONDITIONS

1. Activities conducted regarding Type B and fissile material transportation packagings are to be executed under applicable criteria of 10 CFR Part 71 Subpart H. Authorized activities include: design, procurement, fabrication, assembly, testing, modification, maintenance, repair and use of transportation packagings.
2. Records shall be maintained in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR Part 71. Specifically:
   a. Records of each shipment of licensed material shall be maintained for 3 years after that shipment [10 CFR 71.91(a)].
   b. Records providing evidence of packaging quality shall be maintained for 3 years after the life of the packaging [10 CFR 71.91(d)].
   c. Records describing activities affecting packaging quality shall be maintained for 3 years after this Quality Assurance Program Approval is terminated [10 CFR 71.135].
3. Planned and periodic audits of all aspects of the Quality Assurance Program shall be conducted in accordance with written procedures or checklists, by appropriately trained personnel not having direct responsibility in the areas being audited, in accordance with 10 CFR 71.137.
4. In addition to the requirements of Subparts G and H of 10 CFR 71, and except as specified in Section 5(d), "Conditions," of applicable Certificates of Compliance, each package must be designed, fabricated, acceptance tested, operated, and maintained in accordance with applicable Safety Analysis Report for Packaging requirements; specifically, Chapter 7, "Operating Procedures," Chapter 8, "Acceptance Tests and Maintenance Program," and Chapter 9, "Quality Assurance."

FOR THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

SIGNATURE

DATE OF ISSUANCE 4/13/16

Frank Marcinowski
DOE Headquarters Certifying Official
Acting Associate Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary For Environmental Management