AGREEMENT TO EXTEND AND AMEND THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN

THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

AND

THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY AUTHORITY OF ARGENTINA

CONCERNING RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT
IN
NUCLEAR MATERIAL CONTROL, ACCOUNTANCY, VERIFICATION,
PHYSICAL PROTECTION, AND ADVANCED CONTAINMENT
AND SURVEILLANCE TECHNOLOGIES
FOR
INTERNATIONAL SAFEGUARDS APPLICATIONS

The United States Department of Energy and the Nuclear Regulatory Authority of Argentina (hereinafter "the Parties"),

HAVING REGARD to the Agreement between the United States Department of Energy and the Nuclear Regulatory Authority of Argentina Concerning Research and Development in Nuclear Material Control, Accountancy, Verification, Physical Protection, and Advanced Containment and Surveillance Technologies for International Safeguards Application signed in San Carlos de Bariloche, Argentina, on April 18, 1994 (hereinafter "the Agreement");

NOTING that the cooperation under the Agreement has proceeded to the satisfaction of both Parties;

DESIRING to continue to work cooperatively within the framework of the Agreement; and

NOTING that Article 9 of the Agreement provides for extension and modification of the Agreement by written agreement of the Parties,

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The "Nuclear Regulatory Authority of Argentina (ARN)" and "ARN" will replace "National Atomic Energy Commission of Argentina (CNEA)" and "CNEA," respectively, throughout the Agreement to reflect the designation of ARN as the responsible party on the Argentine side, as noted in the exchange of letters between the Parties effective January 5, 1998.

- The Agreement shall be extended for an additional five years, until April 18, 2. 2004, and shall be automatically renewed for further five-year periods thereafter unless either Party notifies the other in writing, at least three months prior to the expiration of the first five-year extension, or one year in advance of any subsequent five-year period, of its intent to terminate the Agreement.
- 3. All other provisions of the Agreement shall remain the same.

This Agreement shall enter into force upon the later date of signature, with effect from April 18, 1999.

FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: **AUTHORITY OF ARGENTINA:**

Signature: Kennett E. Baken

Signed at: Wash D.C.

Signature:

Signed at:

Name: KENNETH E. BAILER

Title: Principal DEP ASST SECRETAR Title: Chairman

Date: SEPT B. 1999