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Mr. Paul H. Lohaus, Director
Office of State Programs
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

SUBJECT: GENERAL ATOMICS DECOMMISSIONING

Dear Mr. Lohaus:

As discussed in our January 13, 1999 letter, and your return letter of April 23, 1999, the California Department of Health Services, Radiologic Health Branch (RHB) and the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) have agreed to share the results of inspections, including the results of confirmatory surveys, which support the release for unrestricted use of various facilities at the General Atomics site in San Diego, California (GA). In addition, it was agreed that for certain facilities, the NRC would retain the primary responsibility for authorizing the final release of the facility, and RHB would retain the primary responsibility for authorizing the final release of others. The lead agency for each individual facility at the GA site will confirm the facility is eligible for release with respect to all byproduct material, source material and special nuclear material, whether or not the materials in question were originally licensed by the lead agency. This letter confirms the regulatory status of specific buildings, underground storage tanks, and land areas at GA.

Your April 23, 1999 letter included a table detailing the major facilities remaining to be released at GA. The table also noted which agency (RHB or NRC) would assume responsibility as the lead agency for the release of each of those facilities. On November 4, 1999, RHB and NRC staff met and agreed to some revisions to that table. A revised table, based on RHB's current understanding of the situation, is enclosed.

We look forward to continuing this cooperative effort with the NRC. The next RHB/NRC/GA meeting is scheduled for July 6 and 7, 2000, at GA. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Dr. Ronald Rogus at 916-445-9444.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Edgar Bailey".

Edgar Bailey, C.H.P., Chief

Enclosure

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**Major Facilities to be Released at General Atomics
Lead Agency List for Confirmatory Surveys**

Facility	Radioactive Material Used	Lead Agency
Buildings	-----	-----
Building 2	NRC and State licensed RAM	NRC and State
Building 2 Service Corridor	NRC and State licensed RAM	NRC
Building 10	Byproduct	State
Building 21-R	TRIGA® Mark I and Mark F Non-Power Reactors	NRC
Building 21-L	NRC and State licensed RAM	NRC
Building 23; Hot Cell	NRC and State licensed RAM	NRC
Building 25; Liquid Waste Treatment Facility	NRC and State licensed RAM	State
Building 27-1	NRC and State licensed RAM	State
Building 31, Room 103; irradiated fuel in storage casks	NRC and State licensed RAM	NRC will oversee and confirm fuel removal; State will release after fuel is removed
Building 30	Activation Products - State	State
Building 31 (except Room 103)	No RAM use	NRC
Building 31-3	Thorium, enriched Uranium, Byproduct Material	NRC
Building 33	Tritium	State
Building 33-1	NRC and State licensed RAM	State
Building 34, 34-1, 34-2, 34-3, etc.; Fusion Research	Short-lived Activation Products and Tritium	State
Building 35	Byproduct Material	State
Building 39	SNM, Depleted Uranium and Thorium	NRC
Building 39-1	No RAM use	NRC
Building 41 (including surrounding land)	NRC and State licensed RAM	State
Building 42	NRC and State licensed RAM	State
Sorrento Electronics	Byproduct Material	State
Underground Storage Tanks	-----	-----
Building 2, Lab 307	NRC and State licensed RAM	NRC and State
Land Areas	-----	-----
Torrey Pines South	Byproduct Material	State
Torrey Pines East	Potentially Byproduct Material	State
Torrey Pines Northeast	Potentially SNM	NRC
Torrey Pines North	NRC and State licensed RAM	NRC and State
Linac Land (except "North")	NRC and State licensed RAM	NRC and State
Linac North	SNM and Source Material	NRC
Hot Cell Land	NRC and State licensed RAM	NRC
TRIGA Reactors/Land	NRC SNM, Source and Byproduct Material	NRC - NRR
TRIGA Yard	NRC SNM, Source and Byproduct Material	NRC
Sorrento Valley North	SNM and Source Material	NRC
Sorrento Valley South	NRC and State licensed RAM	State
Sorrento Valley East	Tritium	State