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Subject: Revised Decommissioning Plan -- Submittal Deadline

Dear Mr Ting:

As mentioned in your 7-3-00 letter to Donna Wichers, the NRC staff identified omissions or deficiencies in the Decommissioning Plan submitted to the NRC by cover letter dated May 8, 2000, which made it unacceptable. Therefore, a completely revised plan is being written to replace the original which will be withdrawn.

The revised decommissioning plan is currently scheduled for completion and submittal no later than December 31, 2000. The time is needed to:

1. Cover the applicable regulatory guidelines and requirements.
2. Receive lab analysis of soil radionuclides for preparation of the bench-mark dose assessment and verification, and sampling plan. (up to 6 weeks turn-around)
3. Conduct a job task evaluation of decommissioning activities compared to current operations.
4. Perform buried pipeline cleaning tests and surveys, for procedure proposals.

Please contact me if you should have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

John Vaselein
Radiation Safety Officer

cc: Elaine Brummett, NRC - Washington, DC
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