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August 1, 2001

S. K. McBryde, Inc.
ATTN: James E. Buchanan
Radiation Safety Officer
8646 West Market Street
Greensboro, NC 27409

Subject: LATE RECIPROCITY REQUEST

Dear Mr. Buchanan:

This letter is to remind you that you need to inform the NRC of your plans to conduct licensed activities in NRC jurisdiction by providing the NRC a copy of NRC Form 241 in a timely manner. There has been an increase in the number of requests to work in NRC jurisdiction (reciprocity) that do not give at least a three-day notice. We attempt to process short-notice requests so there is no delay in the ability of an applicant to do work. Nevertheless, we cannot guarantee we will be able to give you the required approval for those instances that do not give the three-day notice.

It is to your benefit to submit your request for reciprocity and clarifications and revisions (and any related fee) so that the NRC receives your request at least three days before you plan to work in NRC jurisdiction. If you do, and the request meets the criteria of the General License established by 10 CFR 150.20, you are authorized to do the work even if you do not receive confirmation from the NRC. You therefore have high assurance you will be able to do the work as scheduled. On the other hand, if the NRC receives the request without a three-day notice, you are not authorized to do the work until the NRC grants a waiver of the three-day requirement and notifies you in writing or by phone that the three-day requirement has been waived. We recognize that there will be instances when you may not know of work in time to give the NRC a three-day notice. We will make every effort to continue to inform you of our evaluation of the waiver in a timely manner.

We received the NRC Form 241 you signed on July 30, 2001, for licensed activities to be conducted at Carolina Steel Corporation, Abingdon, Bridge Plant, Bristol, VA on July 31, 2001, a period less than three days from the date you proposed to conduct licensed activities. Again, we understand that you may have received the request for work from a customer which made it difficult to meet the three-day notification requirement. In this case, we approved a waiver of the three-day notice requirement.

S. K. McBryde, Inc.

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NUREG-1556, Vol. 19, "Guidance for Agreement State Licensees about Reporting Activities in Areas of Exclusive Federal Jurisdiction, Non-Agreement States, and Offshore Waters," contains guidelines to follow in filing NRC Form 241. It also contains important information to help licensees ensure that they are complying with NRC regulations before conducting activities under reciprocity. This document is available at the following Internet address:

<http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/NUREGS/SR1556/V19/index.html>

If you have any questions about the regulations or the application process, please feel free to contact Janice Kirby at (404) 562-4719 or by facsimile at (404) 562-4955.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Thomas R. Decker, Chief,
Material Licensing Branch 1
Division of Nuclear Materials Safety

Enclosure: NRC Form 241

cc w/encl:
RII Reciprocity Coordinator

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