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Dear Mr. Thompson:

As a follow-up to our conversation on November 5, 2001, we have found the missing 20.9 μ Ci Co-60 source that was detailed in my letter to you dated October 10, 2001. The source was found in a box located away from personnel on a high shelf in the office of a Physics staff member. Although specifically questioned during the earlier investigation, the staff member forgot that he had taken possession of the source. The source has been returned to its secure storage location. Due to the low activity of the source and the location of the box, personnel exposures were minimal.

If you need further information, please contact me at (215) 898-2109.

Robert D. Forrest, CHP

Sincerely.

Associate Director/Radiation Safety Officer

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