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US Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Washington, DC 20555

RE: NRC Bulletin 97-02, Puncture Testing of Shipping Packages Under 10 CFR Part 71 and Extension to the Same Dated 17 October 1997

Dear Sir/Madam

An initial response was sent from my office and routed through the Air Force Radioisotope Committee on 17 October 1997. Because our Certificates of Compliance (CoC) originated from Teledyne Brown Engineering Systems an inquiry was made with them about the testing procedures.

Mr. John F. Vogt of Teledyne (410-771-8600, ext. 314) expressed that his company didn't perform a physical puncture test rather satisfied the conditions of Title 10 CFR Part 71 via engineering analysis. The results of the analysis were submitted to the NRC some thirty years ago and since that time the NRC has continued to approved CoC number 5862 and 4888.

Being that NRC Bulletin 97-02 pertains primarily to physical puncture tests, it is anticipated that this response satisfies the requirement. Whereas the bulletin didn't contain an address for the Director of the Spent Fuel Project Office, please provide a copy of this response to them. Please contact me at (407) 494-4222 if you desire additional information.

Sincerely

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