

February 11, 2003

Mr. Christopher G. Miller, Chief
Decommissioning Branch
United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Region III
801 Warrenville Road
Lisle, Illinois 60532-4351

RE: MALLINCKRODT CHEMICAL INC. COLUMBIUM-TANTALUM (CT)
DECOMMISSIONING PROJECT

Dear Mr. Miller:


Thank you for your letter of January 23, 2003, containing the information about the Master Inspection Plan (MIP) for Mallinckrodt Chemical Inc. for the remainder of Fiscal Year (FY) 2003. We appreciate the Nuclear Regulatory Commission including the State of Missouri as you move forward with the MIP for Mallinckrodt Chemical Inc. The representatives that will be working on this site from Missouri are with the Department of Natural Resources, not the Department of Health.

The Department is looking forward to participating in upcoming events dealing with the Decommissioning and Demolition of the C-T operations at Mallinckrodt which include: the Public Meeting; document reviews; inspections; meetings; and issues concerning the FUSRAP remediation at Mallinckrodt.

If there is a schedule that identifies or targets the various components of this process, we request a copy. This will help us in planning and budgeting time to review the documents and participate in meetings and inspections. Please contact JoAnne Wade at (314) 877-3250 or me at (573) 751-6838 if you need more information or clarification, or you may write to P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, MO 65102.

Sincerely,

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