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SUBJECT: NRC FORM 241 CLARIFICATION

CENTRAL GREAT PLAINS RESEARCH STATION

Mr. Abraham:

This letter refers to the telephone conversation between Mr. Jason Roudebush with Colorado State University, Environmental Health Services, and Mrs. Rachel Browder of this office, on July 29, 2003, in which the scheduled dates documented on the submitted NRC Form 241 Clarification, dated July 25, 2003, was explained. The respective NRC Form 241 Clarification was for work activities conducted at Central Great Plains Research Station in Akron, Colorado.

It is the staff's understanding that a portable gauge from Colorado State University was being stored at the temporary job site, within exclusive Federal jurisdiction, at Central Great Plains Research Station, in lieu of being returned daily to Colorado State University. This was realized during one of your inspections at the temporary job site. As a result of your inspection, you subsequently submitted the post-dated NRC Form 241 Clarification.

Portable gauges should be used, transported and stored in a manner to insure there is no unauthorized access, removal, or use of the gauge. Working within exclusive Federal Jurisdiction requires you to comply with NRC regulations, as described in 10 CFR 150.20, which includes radiation safety, security and control of radioactive materials, and compliance with NRC regulations. Licensees are expected to notify NRC in a timely manner of information provided on the NRC Form 241, allowing the NRC adequate time to carry out its statutory mandate of ensuring that licensed materials are adequately safeguarded and that public health and safety are protected. The staff recognizes that you identified a portable gauge which was being stored at a temporary job site, and that you took the necessary corrective actions to comply with your Colorado Radioactive Materials License and NRC regulations, and subsequently initiated the NRC Form 241 Clarification.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter, and your response (if any) will be made available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the Publicly Available Records (PARS) component of NRC's document system (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html (the Public Electronic Reading Room).

No response to this letter is required. If there is additional information or clarification necessary, please contact me at 817-276-6552. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

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