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Dear Dr. Chung:

Livermore, CA 94550

We have reviewed LLNL Monthly Management Letter No. 1, dated September 10, 1986, that summarizes progress under FIN A-0297 for the month of August, 1986. Progress to date appears to be satisfactory. We have the following comments:

Action was taken on September 29, 1986 to obligate the remainder of the available FY1986 budgeted funds for this contract. Note, however, that \$25K was transferred to other NRC commitments prior to this action. Because of tight budget constraints for FY1987 we would like to know as soon as possible the the total amount expended for FY1986 in order to determine if any carryover will be available for FY1987. Also, with regard to the reporting of the financial status of this project, please send the financial statement separately from the Monthly Management Letter. Do not attach the statement to a copy of the MML because this results in a second, unnecessary ticketing of the same MML. We do expect that you will send the financial statement to us as soon as it is available.

Recently I verbally requested that you temporarily suspend activity on this contract. This activity includes the only open task which is the NNWSI volcanic hazards assessment. This request was necessary in order to reserve funds for the technical assistance anticipated for the review of the DOE's SCP's. It is unclear at this time whether or not supplemental funds will be available to cover the cost of both the pre-SCP and SCP technical assistance anticipated. In addition it may be necessary to stretch the available funds to cover a delayed start-up of the FFRDC. These matters should be clarified to some degree by a meeting scheduled for next week between WMGT and WMRP to discuss FY1987 work priorities. In the meantime please do not perform any chargeable work on the volcanic hazards assessment task until October 15. Since completion of this task is not anticipated until January 1, 1987, this two week suspension should not cause a significant impact on its schedule.

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The action taken by this letter is considered to be within the scope of the current contract (A-0294). No changes to cost or delivery of contracted services and products are authorized. Please notify me immediately if you believe that this letter would result in changes to cost or delivery of contracted products.

Sincerely,

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Michael E. Blackford, Project Manager Geology/Geophysics Section Geotechnical Branch Division of Waste Management Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards

cc: Garth Cummings, NNSP/LLNL

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