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U. S. Atomic Energy Commission
Division of Material Licensing
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Mr. W. H. Ray
Irradiated Fuels Branch

Subject: Byproduct License No. 19-1398-29
Shutdown of Martin Facilities at Quehanna, Pa.

Gentlemen:

As you are aware we have been directed to close down production activity at our Quehanna, Pa., facility and, as a result, are planning to vacate the facility as soon as possible. We understand Martin responsibilities in connection with Byproduct License 19-1398-29 to be as follows:

(1) The extent of the cleanup of the facility is dependent solely on the contractual relationships established between Martin and the other interested parties, namely, AEC-Oak Ridge and Pennsylvania State University.

(2) The cleanup (decontamination effort, removal and disposition of equipment) is within the scope of Byproduct License 19-1398-29, and no further licensing action is required to accomplish the shutdown of the facility.

(3) The possession of radioactive material as either an active or static inventory must be authorized by an AEC license to assure minimization of any radiological hazards to the public. The possession and use of radioactive material is licensed by the AEC and the facility in which it is used simply enhances the safety aspects for its use. The Martin license may be terminated by fulfillment of any of these alternatives:

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(a) Transfer of custody of the facility to another AEC licensee who will then have possession and control responsibility of the radioactive material as authorized by his license. Transfer of responsibility can be made on an "as is" basis or in a cleanup status agreed to by both parties and as authorized by the new license for the facility.

(b) Since title for the radioactive material at Quehanna rests with the AEC, the Martin license responsibility can end with completion of contractual responbilities. Thus, Martin Byproduct License 19-1398-29 could be officially terminated at the cessation of production activities at which time custodial and safety control responsibility for the residual radioactive material would revert to the AEC.

(c) Complete cleanup of the facility in compliance with the requirements of an "unrestricted area" and release of the facility for general use. This action would only be required in lieu of transfer of the custodial responsibility for the facility and residual radioactive material to another party.

It is our desire to terminate our AEC license and vacate the Quehanna facility in the most expeditious manner possible. We will appreciate receiving your concurrence with our understandings as discuss ed above and solicit any comments you may care to make in the attainment of this goal. Your comments in licensing matters have always been very helpful and we look forward to your reply.

Thank you for your effort in this matter.

Very truly yours,

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