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Combustion Engineering, Inc. ATTN: Mr. H. V. Lichtenberger Vice President Manufacturing Nuclear Power Systems Post Office Box 500 Windsor, CT 06095

Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine inspection conducted by Messrs. A. G. Finley and J. P. Patterson of this office on July 21-25, 1980, of activities at the Combustion Engineering, Hematite Missouri Plant authorized by NRC License No. SNM-33 and to the discussion of our findings with your staff at the Hematite Plant at the conclusion of the inspection.

The major part of this inspection consisted of observation of your physical inventory, gross weighings of certain containers and selection of samples for analysis by the Department of Energy's New Brunswick Laboratory (NBL) as part of our inventory verification plan. Our analysis of NBL's sample results discloses no errors or differences which would significantly alter our conclusion concerning the special nuclear material content of your total inventory. An explanation of our verification is contained in the enclosure to this letter. Copies of NBL's results have already been provided to the Hematite Plant management.

The enclosure to this letter is refered to as Part II of Inspection Report No. 70-36/80-03.

Areas examined during the inspection concern a subject matter which is exempt from disclosure according to Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. Consequently, the enclosure to this letter will not be placed in the Public Document Room.

Information in this record was deleted in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act exemptions 4 501A-2004-0234

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We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this · inspection.

Sincerely,

J. A. Hind, Chief Safeguards Branch

Enclosures: IE Inspection Report No. 70-36/80-03 (Part II -Inventory Verification (Part 2.790(d) Information

cc w/encl: A. Rode, Plant Manager Central Files Reproduction Unit NRC 20b

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REGION III

Report No. 70-36/80-03 - Part II

Docket No. 70-36

License No. SNM-33

Safeguards Group III

Licensee: Combustion Engineering, Inc. Post Office Box 500 Windsor, CT 06095

Facility Name: Hematite Plant

Inspection At: Hematite, MO

Inspection Conducted: July 21-25, 1980

Date of Last Material Control and Accountability Inspection: October 23-26, 1979

Type of Inspection: Announced

Material Control and Accountability

Inspector: P. Patterson Chemist

<u>||29|81</u> Date ||29|81

Approved By:

A. Hind, Chief Safeguards Branch

Inspection Summary:

Inspection on July 21-25, 1980 (Report No. 70-36/80-03)

Areas Inspected: Inventory verification including gross weighing of certain containers of special nuclear material, sampling and analyses of the contents of these containers and statistical evaluation including categorization of inventory items by percent uranium and composition; facility operation and inventory difference and associated limits of error verification. The inspection involved 74 inspection-hours onsite by two NRC inspectors and was begun during the regular hours.

Results: The licensee was found to be in compliance with NRC requirements in the three areas examined during this inspection.

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Docket No. 70-36

Combustion Engineering, Inc. ATTN: Mr. H. V. Lichtenberger Vice President Manufacturing Nuclear Power Systems Windsor, CT 06095

Gentlemen:

Thank you for the letter from Mr. H. E. Eskridge dated August 29, 1980, informing us of the steps you have taken to correct the noncompliance identified in our letter dated August 8, 1980. We will examine your corrective action during a future inspection.

Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

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Sincerely,

J. A. Hind, Chief Safeguards Branch

cc: H. E. Eskridge

cc w/ltr dtd 8/29/80: Mr. J. A. Rode, Plant Manager Central Files Reproduction Unit NRC 20b PDR

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August 29, 1980

J. A. Hind, Chief Safeguards Branch U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Region III 799 Roosevelt Road Glen Ellyn, Illinois 60137

> License No. SNM-33 Docket No. 70-36

Dear Mr. Hind:

The enclosed report is submitted as requested by your letter dated August 8, 1980, concerning IE Inspection report 70-036/80-03.

Please advise if any additional information is required.

Very truly yours,

COMBUSTION ENGINEERING, INC.

H. E. E.

H. E. Eskridge Supervisor, Nuclear Licensing, Safety and Accountability

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Docket No. 70-36 80-03

Combustion Engineering ATTN: Mr. H. V. Lichtenberger Vice President - Manufacturing Nuclear Power Systems Windsor, CT 06095

Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted July 21-25, 1980, by Messrs. A. G. Finley and J. P. Patterson of this office, and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. J. A. Rode, Plant Manager, and members of his staff at the conclusion of the inspection. The inspection was a review of activities at the Combustion Engineering, Hematite Plant, authorized by NRC License No. SNM-33.

The enclosed copy of our inspection report identifies areas examined during the inspection. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of observing the semi-annual physical inventory and as part of inventory verification, the selection of 80 samples submitted to the New Brunswick Laboratory for analysis. Other areas involved included selective examination of procedures, and representative records, observations, and interviews with personnel.

This inspection report is section one of a two section report. The compilation of NBL analytical results and statistical verification of the SNM inventory will be the subject of Section II of this inspection report.

The necessary action taken to comply with the two commitments, made as a result of the previous inspection, Report No. 70-36/79-08, were reviewed by the inspection team, and we have no further questions regarding these two items.

During this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in noncompliance with NRC requirements, as described in the enclosed Appendix A.

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Areas examined during the inspection concern a subject matter which is exempt from disclosure according to Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. Consequently, our report of this inspection will not be placed in the Public Document Room.

This notice is sent to you pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.201 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. Section 2.201 requires you to submit to this office within twenty days of your receipt of this notice a written statement or explanation in reply, including for each item of noncompliance: (1) corrective action taken and the results achieved; (2) corrective action to be taken to avoid further noncompliance; and (3) the date when full compliance will be achieved.

We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely,

J. A. Hind, Chief Safeguards Branch

Enclosures:
1. Appendix A, Notice of Violation
2. IE Inspection Report No. 70-36/80-03

(Part 2.790(d) Information)

cc w/encls: Mr. J. A. Rode, Plant Manager Central Files Reproduction Unit NRC 20b

cc w/encl 1: PDR



U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION OFFICE OF INSPECTION AND ENFORCEMENT

REGION III

Report No. 70-36/80-03

Docket No. 70-36 License No. SNM-33 Safeguards Group III

Licensee: Combustion Engineering, Inc. Post Office Box 500 Windsor, CT 06095

Facility Name: Hematite Plant

Inspection At: Hematite, Missouri

Inspection Conducted: July 21-25, 1980

Date of Last Material Control and Accounting Inspection: October 23-26, 1979

Type of Inspection: Announced Material Control and Accounting

Inspectors: A. J. Funding A. G. Finley Auditor

In J. P. Patterson Chemist

Approved By: Hind, Chief Safeguards Branch

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Inspection Summary

Areas Inspected: Physical Inventory, Inventory Verification, Storage and Internal Controls, Facility Organization, Records and Reports and Management of Materials Control System. The inspection involved 74 inspection-hours onsite by two NRC inspectors and was begun during the regular hours. Results: The licensee was found to be in compliance with NRC requirements in the six areas examined during the inspection except for the following one item: Failure of the licensee on four occasions to obtain receiver signatures on internal transfers involving movement of SNM from the ICA to the MBA.

(Details Part 2.790(d) Information)