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November 18, 2009

Mr. Charles Perkins
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SUBJECT: INSPECTION REPORT NO. 70-1257/2009-007

Dear Mr. Perkins:

This refers to the inspections conducted on October 19 - 22, 2009, at the Areva Richland facility. The purpose of the inspection was to determine whether activities authorized by the license were conducted safely and in accordance with NRC requirements. At the conclusion of the inspection on October 22, the inspector discussed the findings with you and members of your staff.

These inspections were an examination of activities conducted under your license as they relate to safety and compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and with the conditions of your license. Within these areas, the inspections consisted of a selective examination of procedures and representative records, observations of activities, and interviews with personnel.

As a result of the inspection, the enclosed NRC Form 591FF, Safety Inspection Report, Parts 1 and 3 are being issued. The enclosed form indicates that no violations were identified during the inspection of your licensed activities. Please retain the original form for your files.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be made available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the NRC's document system (ADAMS), accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact us.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Daniel W. Rich, Chief
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Docket No. 70-1257
License No. SNM-1227

Enclosure: (See page 2)

Enclosure: NRC Form 591FF Parts 1 and 3

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