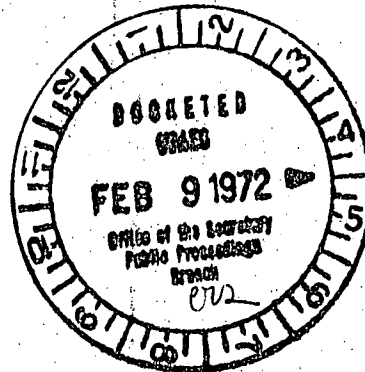


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The Secretary
U. S. Atomic Energy Commission
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Attention: Chief, Public Proceedings Branch

Re: Docket No. PRM - 30 - 50

Dear Sir:

We wish with this letter to inform you of our progress and plans for our nuclear-time-base watch which have moved along very satisfactorily. We have over the past months successfully "proven" the system and we are now in a phase of preparing final pre-production prototypes. Successful completion of this phase should occur six months hence at which point we shall be in a position to make the necessary decisions to commit the system to production. Since this commitment involves substantial sums of money it would of course be mandatory that no impediment arise in our basic utilization of the Neptunium-237 as the time base material. We would sincerely appreciate, therefore, any effort that you could devote to our Petition for Rules Change to allow an early decision. Obviously, we cannot proceed beyond the prototype stage without this decision.

Sincerely yours,

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