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and Safeguards
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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SUBJECT: Inspection No. 50-286/89-03


Dear Mr. Bellamy:

This letter provides the Authority's response to your
Inspection Report No. 50-286/89-03 dated March 7, 1989 and
received at this office March 13, 1989.

Attachment I to this letter addresses the concerns cited in
Appendix A, Notice of Violation, of the Inspection Report.

Should you or your staff have any questions concerning this
matter, please contact Mr. M. Peckham of my staff.

Sincerely,


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Attachment I

Violation

10 CFR 50, Appendix B states in part the "The applicant shall establish...a quality assurance program...This program shall be documented by written policies, procedures or instructions and shall be carried out throughout plant life...". Technical Specification 6.5.2.8 states in part that "Audits of facility activities shall be performed under the cognizance of the SRC. These audits shall encompass...The PROCESS CONTROL PROGRAM..." The licensee's Quality Assurance Program states in part the "...Quality Assurance Program requires that qualified personnel evaluate the supplier capability to provide acceptable quality services and products before the award of the procurement order or contract...The results of supplier evaluations are documented and filed."

Contrary to the above, the licensee has utilized the services of a vendor laboratory for the analysis of waste stream isotopic content for the determination of scaling factors as part of the Process Control Program, without evaluating and documenting the laboratory's capability to provide acceptable quality services.

Response

Subsequent to NRC inspection 89-03, it was determined that an evaluation had been performed on EAL in August of 1986. The results of this evaluation did determine that this vendor was acceptable. EAL then changed the name of their company to TMA/NORCAL. This name change did not involve a change in ownership or management. Quality Assurance records had not been updated to reflect this change.

The Power Authority agrees, based on this information, that improper documentation existed to show that the vendor in question (TMA/NORCAL) had been evaluated as satisfactory to provide acceptable quality services in accordance with the IP-3 Quality Assurance Program.

The following corrective actions have been taken to preclude recurrence:

- o TMA/NORCAL was evaluated on February 8-9, 1989 as acceptable for performing radio-analytical work to determine scaling factors for the Process Control Program.

- o A review of all vendors associated with the radwaste management program has been performed, and one additional company has been identified as requiring evaluation. This company will be evaluated by May 1, 1989 and added to the Vendors Evaluated Tracking System (VETS List).