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SUBJECT: EVALUATION OF PROPOSED CINTICHEM FNMC PLAN CHANGES

In a letter dated January 25, 1989 Cintichem, Inc. - Tuxedo, NY submitted via enclosures proposed changes to their currently approved 10 CFR Part 70 Fundamental Nuclear Material Control (FNMC) Plan.

The revisions are due in part to recommendations made by Region I (Inspector Follow-up Items) as contained in Region I Inspection Reports 88-03-01 and 02 and as a result of discussions held with the licensee during the joint Region I-NRC Headquarters inspection conducted November 1-4, 1988 (joint Region I-NRC Headquarters Inspection Report 88-07). The balance of the revisions are due to Cintichem MC&A management personnel recognizing a need for a general Plan updating to reflect current MC&A practices and procedures.

My review of the January 25, 1989 submittal concludes that the revisions are consistent with acceptable current MC&A practices and meet the intent of regulatory guidelines and standards. In addition, Cintichem did respond adequately to the inspector recommendations contained in the previously referenced Inspection Reports. My only adverse comment was that some of the FNMC Plan pages were not dated, others had various dates due to prior revision approvals. In a telephone conversation between Cintichem's T. Vaughan, Manager - Health, Safety and Environmental Affairs and myself on February 28, 1989 it was agreed that each page of the FNMC Plan would be dated (stamped) December 19, 1988 to correspond to the latest revision date Cintichem had shown on several pages.

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A letter to Cintichem will be prepared with appropriately revised License Condition 2.1 to Cintichem's License No. SNM-639 (Safeguards Amendment SG-1) which will effect our approval of the submittal.

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