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Gentlemen:

We have performed a preliminary review of the description of your measurement control program which was submitted pursuant to 10 CFR 70.57(c). Our review has revealed that the description of your program lacks sufficient detail for us to determine that the implementation of your program will result in compliance with the requirements of 10 CFR 70.57. We request that you resubmit the description of your measurement control program in a level of detail which will enable us to perform an appropriate review. 10 CFR 70.57(c) requires submission of "... a detailed plan describing the program that will be used to comply with said [§ 70.57(b)] provisions."

To aid you in this resubmission, we are taking two actions which should assure that revised plans contain the necessary level of detail. These actions are as follows:

- 1. We have enclosed a draft copy of the criteria against which your plans will be reviewed, and
- 2. We plan to visit your site to discuss questions you might encounter during the revision of your plan.

We request that you do not wait for our site visit before initiating the requested revision. If questions or problems arise before our visit, please contact the Material Control Licensing Branch reviewer assigned to your facility or me.

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Admittedly, the measurement control plans have been in our hands for some time. This is not an indication of the importance which we attach to their implementation. On the contrary, we believe these plans to be a vital, needed addition to the safeguards program for material control and accounting. I earnestly request your immediate attention and prompt resubmission.

Sincerely,

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James G. Partlow, Chief Material Control Licensing Branch Division of Safeguards

Enclosure: As stated

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