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Joseph J. Munley  
Director, Specialty Gases  
Air Products and Chemicals, Inc.  
7201 Hamilton Boulevard  
Allentown, PA 18195-1501

Dear Mr. Munley:

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR WAVIER OF LICENSING REQUIREMENTS FOR  
DISTRIBUTION OF KRYPTON GAS CONTAINING KRYPTON 85

This is in response to your letter dated March 25, 1996 asking that the NRC waive its licensing requirements for possession and distribution of krypton 85 which is concentrated and distributed as part of purified krypton gas with isotopic krypton abundances the same as those found in the atmosphere. In light of the low risk to health and safety presented by these operations, the NRC will not exercise regulatory control over these operations at this time. Should information come to light or should the operations change so as to alter the assessment of the risk, the NRC may choose to exercise regulatory control at that time.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact John Kinneman of my staff at (610) 337-5252. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,  
**Original Signed By:**  
**Charles W. Hehl**

Charles W. Hehl, Director  
Division of Nuclear  
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