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Subject: Response to Notices of Viciation, 24 February 1981

Dear Mr. Brown:

We accept the Notice of Violation statements, containing one item of violation for license 35-03176-01 and one for 35-03176-05. These items were discussed at the time of Mr. Shopenn's exit interview, as there also were discussed the proposed remedies.

35-03176-01. The violation is failure of a user to maintain appropriate records, in this case an inventory for waste lisposal. The user has been informed of this deficiency, corrective action has been taken, and we shall send a copy of your letter and Notice of Violation now as well.

35-03176-05. As you know, the disposal of low-level radioactive wastes presents a nation-wide problem. NRC has been advocating new approaches, indicating a willingness to give quick consideration to proposals. The Conference of State Governors has recognized the problem and is also searching for solutions. We are in the process of developing alternatives to land burial, especially remotely.

From a procedural viewpoint, our current contract with Iso-Tex for commercial transport of these wastes from our facility cannot be honored by them as a result of actions by The State of Texas. I understand that the same is now true for NSSI as well.

Our action to relieve the violation will be to request amendment of the subject license to delete this shipping requirement. We are waiting /

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for the time when specific proposals on alternatives can be presented; at this time we have the general methods in mind. There is reason to believe that important new information bearing on such alternatives will be available within 90 days. Accordingly, we request a further 90-day period before we shall file our request for amendment.

Yours sincerely,

Clayton Rich, M.D.

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