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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Department of Public Health
Division of Health Care Standards & Regulation
Attention: Mr. Gerald S. Parker, Director
Radiation Control Programs
80 Boylston Street, Room 835
Boston, Massachusetts 02116

Dear Mr. Parker:

Enclosed for your information and retention is a copy of the NRC, Region I Investigation Report No. 078-154 which contains the results of our radiation survey efforts in the Norton and Attleboro, Massachusetts areas through December 1978 and the related background information. We apologize for the delay in sending you a copy of the formal report; however, the survey data is the same as had been previously sent to you by Mr. J. Philip Stohr of this office as enclosures to a transmittal letter from him dated December 18, 1978.

A copy of the investigation report concerning the source of the material in the Norton, privately-owned, landfill will be forwarded when its review is completed.

As it was previously agreed that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts had the lead in Attleboro, we trust that you will send them copies of whatever is necessary. We will provide the Town of Norton with copies.

At this time the responsibility for any remedial action (if required) is not clear. However, the NRC will continue to provide technical advice, particularly with regard to the Norton area. Also, as had previously been discussed, additional surveys will be arranged so as to better define the extent of the radioactive material with depth prior to any further action.

Should you have any questions on this report or related matters, feel free to call.

Sincerely,

George H. Smith
George H. Smith, Chief
Fuel Facility and Materials Safety
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Enclosure: As Stated

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