

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION REGION IV



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June 25, 1979

License No. SUB-1010

Kerr-McGee Nuclear Corporation
ATTN: Mr. W. J. Shelley, Director
Regulation and Control
Kerr-McGee Building
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102

Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. C. L. Cain of this office on May 21-24, 1979, of the activities authorized by NRC Source Material License No. SUB-1010 and to the discussion of our findings held by Mr. Cain with Messrs. J. W. Craig and C. E. Grossclaude on May 24, 1979.

The inspection was an examination of the activities conducted under the license as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations, and the conditions of the license. The inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews of personnel, independent measurements and observations by the inspector.

Mr. Cain also reviewed the action you had taken with respect to six (6) items of noncompliance observed during our previous inspection, which was conducted August 10-11, 1978. He verified that the corrective action with respect to these items was implemented as stated in your replies of September 22, 1978, and October 19, 1978, to our letters date! August 31, 1978, and October 13, 1978.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that one of your activities was not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements, as set forth in the Notice of Violation, enclosed herewith. This item of noncompliance as been categorized into the level as described in the correspondence to you dated December 31, 1974.

This notice is sent to you pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.201 of the NRC "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. Section 2.201 requires you to submit to this office, within twenty (20) days of your receipt of this notice, a written statement or explanation in reply including: (1) corrective actions which have been taken by you and the results achieved; (2) corrective actions which will be taken to avoid further items of noncompliance; and (3) the date when full compliance will be achieved.

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In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosed inspection report will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room. If this report contains any information that you believe to be proprietary, it is necessary that you make a written application within twenty (20) days to this office to withhold such information from public disclosure. Any such application must include a full statement of the reasons it is claimed that the information is proprietary. It should be prepared so that proprietary information identified is contained in a separate part of the document, since the application, excluding this separate part, will also be placed in the Public Document Room. If we do not hear from you in this regard within the specified period, the report will be placed in the Public Document Room.

Should you have any questions concerning this letter, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Glen D. Brown, Chief

Fuel Facility and Material Safety Branch

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Enclosures:

1. Notice of Violation

2. IE Inspection Report No. 49-8027/79-01