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RADIOLOGICAL SAFETY STAFF BELTSVILLE, MARYLAND 20705

August 17, 1979

U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Attention: Mr. J. Spraul, QA Programs Division of Fuel Cycle and Material Safety, NMSS Transportation Certification Branch Washington, D. C. 20555

Dear Mr. Spraul:

Reference is made to your latter dated July 27,, 1979 (71-0238).

Paragraph "8. Audits" of the USDA Quality Assurance Program for Packaging and Shipment of Radioactive Materials submitted with letter dated December 26, 1978 is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

8. Audite

Due to infrequency of shipments, the QA
Program will be audited prior to each shipment. Results of audit will be maintained
and reported to the Radiological Safety
Committee. Audit reports will be evaluated
and deficient areas corrected where indicated.
The audits will be dependent on the safety
significance of the activity being audited.
Audit reports will be filed in the Radiological
Safety Staff office as part of the quality
assurance records and reviewed by a person
having no responsibility in the activity
being audited.

If more information is necessary, we shall be glad to supply it upon request.

Sincerely,

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