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License No. 50-15827-01

Municipality of Anchorage Department of Public Works Construction Division 3500 E Tudor Road Anchorage, Alaska 99507

Attention: Mr. Frank J. Huber

Construction Engineer

Gentlemen:

This refers to your response dated July 24, 1979 to our Notice of Violation dated July 13, 1979.

We are in agreement with your statement that your possession of the Nuclear Instruments Corporation Model NIC-5 was authorized by Amendment No. 4 to NRC License No. 50-15852-01. Because our inspector saw the instrument on another license issued to the Municipality of Anchorage with an expiration date of February 28, 1978, he assumed that it was being possessed without authorization. When he mentioned this at the exit interview, the point was not disputed by your representative, Mr. Mike Kruger. We apologize for the oversight.

On the other hand, we believe that the second item of noncompliance is valid. Your current License No. 50-15852-01 requires that sealed sources be leak tested at six month intervals. It does not contain a condition exempting the sources from leak tests while in storage and not being used. It appears that at the time of the inspection, the source in your Campbell Pacific gauge had not been leak tested since April 27, 1977. You should take steps to assure that the source is leak tested at six month intervals.

All requests for license amendments must be sent to our Washington, D. C. office. Therefore, you should so mit your request in the last paragraph of your July 24 letter to:

U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Radioisotopes Licensing Branch, NMSS Washington, D. C. 20555

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You may also want to request exemption of the leak test requirement while your sources are in storage.

Should you have any further questions concerning these matters of noncompliance, we will still require the written statement concerning Item 2 referred to in our letter of July 13, 1979.

Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,

H. E. Book, Chief

J. E. Book

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