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Docket No. 50-187

Northrop Research and Technology Center
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Palos Verdes Peninsula, California 90274

Attention: Dr. W. E. Crandall

Gentlemen:

Subject: NRC Inspection - Northrop Reactor

This letter refers to the inspection of your activities authorized under NRC License No. R-90 conducted by Messrs. L. W. Ivey and E. J. Power of this office on September 25-26, 1979. It also refers to the discussion of our inspection findings held by the inspector with Messrs. A. J. Virgin, J. G. Adams and D. Shy on September 26, 1979.

The inspection included examination of activities related to physical protection against industrial sabotage and against theft of special nuclear material in accordance with applicable requirements of Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 73, "Physical Protection of Plants and Materials," your security plan, and license conditions pertaining to physical protection as described in the enclosed inspection report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and records, interviews with facility personnel and observations by the inspectors.

Within the scope of this inspection, no items of noncompliance were observed.

In accordance with Section 2.790(d) of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, documentation of the findings of your safeguards and security measures are exempt from public disclosure; therefore, the enclosed inspection report will not be placed in the Public Document Room.

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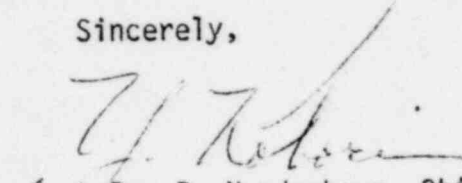
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Should you have any questions concerning this letter, we will be glad to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,



for LeRoy R. Norderhaug, Chief
Safeguards Branch

Enclosure:
Inspection Report
No. 50-187/79-01 (IE-V-334)

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