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Docket No. 50-27

Washington State University Pullman, Washington 99104

Attention: R. H. Filby, Director

Nuclear Radiation Center

Gentlemen:

This letter refers to the inspection of your activities authorized under NRC License No. R-76 conducted by Messrs. W. P. Mortensen and E. J. Power of this office on February 12 and 13, 1979. It also refers to the discussion of our inspection findings held by the inspectors with Mr. W. E. Wilson on February 13, 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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Should you have any questions concerning this letter, we will be glad to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

L. R. Norderhaug, Chief Safeguards Branch

Enclosure:

IE Inspection Report

No. 50-27/79-01 (IE-V-282)