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Department of the Air Force
ATTN: Col. David Wood
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Gentlemen:

The enclosed letter from David K. Lacker of the Texas Department of Health requests information about current and former radioactive waste burial sites at military installations in the state of Texas. Enclosed with that letter is a July 16, 1974, Air Force document listing Air Force bases having waste burial sites at that time. Some of those bases were or had been AEC licensees authorized by 10 CFR 20.304 to bury small quantities of radioactive material. It is also possible that such bases were authorized by specific license conditions to bury small quantities of radioactive material.

In response to the Texas Department of Health letter, we request that the Air Force:

- ° Update the 1974 waste burial site list and indicate which bases were ever licensed by AEC/NRC or were permitted under the Air Force Master Materials License. Include and identify all such bases that no longer exist.
- ° Identify bases at which all buried radioactive material was disinterred.
- ° State whether burial sites are permanently posted and locations are recorded as described in the 1974 document.
- ° State whether burial sites currently are in use, and if not, when burial was discontinued.

Since Air Force burial sites in Texas could contain radioactive material of interest both to NRC and the Texas Department of Health, please address your reply to this office with a copy to Mr. Lacker.

~~Original~~ Signed By:

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