September 15, 1989

A. Bert Davis
Regional Administrator
Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region III
799 Roosevelt Road
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Dear Mr. Davis:

In my letter of August 8, 1989, I stated we were flushing our Iodine-125 waste with 15,000 gallons of water per month. I now find that amount is incorrect - we have two water meters for the building and I was given only one meter reading. For the first seven months here, we actually averaged slightly over 100,000 gallons of water per month introduced into the sewer system. Using this figure, we dispose of an average of 3700 microcuries of Iodine-125 a month with 100,000 gallons of water - or 9.4 x 10^{-6} microcuries/ml/month; well within NRC guidelines of less than 4×10^{-5} microcuries/ml/month.

I have also instructed our RIA supervisor to perform a monthly audit, determine our actual water usage and calculate our monthly disposal volume. I have enclosed the August audit report.

I must apologize for the error in my first letter; I should have realized our water usage was low. If you need additional information, please call me at (314) 991-1311. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely

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Vice President, Technical Operations

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