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November 14, 1980

Mr. W. B. Kenna, Chief
Safeguards Branch
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, RII
101 Marietta Street, NW - Suite 3100
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Kenna:

References: (1) NRC Inspection Report RII/JWB, 70-1113/80-15,
dated 10/17/80
(2) NRC License SNM-1097, Docket #70-1113

Thank you for your letter referred to above which reported the results of the inspection of our fuel fabrication plant in Wilmington, N. C., by Mr. J. W. Bates of your office on September 15-19, 1980.

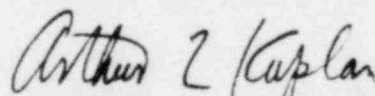
A reply to the item of apparent noncompliance with NRC requirements is given in the attachment to this letter. We appreciate your inspector's comments and suggestions related to our safeguards programs. These comments and suggestions are helpful to us in our constant efforts to maintain and, where necessary, improve these programs and to ensure the continuation of a successful safeguards effort at our plant.

We also welcome further discussion with your staff on the item in your letter and in our related reply, if necessary, for further clarification of this item.

Pursuant to 10 CFR 2.790(d), General Electric Company requests that the attachment to this letter be withheld from public disclosure since this attachment identifies details of General Electric's control and accounting procedures for safeguarding licensed special nuclear material.

Very truly yours,

GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY



Arthur L. Kaplan, Manager
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