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Texas A&M University System
Nuclear Science Center
ATTN: Mr. John D. Randall
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Gentlemen:

We have evaluated your quality assurance program submitted with your October 2, 1980 letter to satisfy the requirements of 10 CFR §71.51.

Our review indicates that additional information is required to satisfy the applicable requirements of Appendix E to 10 CFR Part 71. Please address the enclosed request for additional information and submit seven copies of the revised program within 30 days following receipt of this letter.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please feel free to contact Mr. Jim Conway at (301) 492-7741.

Sincerely,

Charles E. MacDonald

Charles E. MacDonald, Chief
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Enclosure:
Request for Additional
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Request for Additional Information

1. Identify the positions on the Reactor Safety Board and show the Board's location on the organizational chart.

2. Provide a statement that persons performing QA/QC functions have direct access to management levels which will assure accomplishment of quality-affecting activities. These personnel have sufficient authority and organizational freedom to perform their QA/QC functions effectively and without reservation. They can:

   a. Identify quality problems.

   b. Initiate, recommend, or provide solutions through designated channels.

   c. Verify implementation of solutions.

3. Provide a statement that quality-related activities are performed with specified equipment and under suitable environmental conditions, and prerequisites have been satisfied prior to inspection and test.

4. Provide a statement that identification of shipping casks can be traced to the appropriate documentation.

5. Provide a statement that changes to documents are reviewed and approved by the same personnel that performed the original review and approval or by other qualified individuals designated by the applicant.

6. Provide a statement that approved changes are included in instructions, procedures, drawings, and other documents.

7. Provide a statement that documents are available at the location where the activity will be performed.

8. Provide a statement that shipments will not be made unless all tests, certifications, acceptances, and final inspections have been completed.

9. Provide a statement that handling, preservation, storage, cleaning, packaging, and shipping requirements are established and accomplished by qualified individuals in accordance with predetermined work and inspection instructions.

10. Provide a statement that sufficient records are maintained to provide documentary evidence of the quality of items and the activities affecting quality.

11. Provide a statement that QA records include operating logs; results of inspections, tests, and audits; and qualification of personnel, procedures, and equipment.

12. Provide a statement that records are identifiable and retrievable.

13. Provide a statement that requirements and responsibilities for record retention (such as duration, location, and assigned responsibilities) are established.

14. Provide a statement that a list of the required records (e.g., records of shipment) and their storage locations will be maintained.

15. Provide a statement that audit results are documented and then reviewed with management having responsibility in the area audited.

16. Provide a statement that responsible management takes the necessary action to correct the deficiencies revealed by the audit.

17. Provide a statement that deficient areas are reaudited on a timely basis to verify implementation of corrective actions which minimize recurrence of deficiencies.