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Texas Instruments, Inc.
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Gentlemen:

We have reviewed your situation as it pertains to necessary actions by you to satisfy those provisions of 10 CFR 73 which require an upgrading of your physical protection system.

In examining all aspects of this matter, the following were considered as key elements in making a determination:

- your present physical protection plan
- your proposed physical protection plan to meet the "Upgrade" rule
- your letter of March 16, 1981 regarding alternate physical protection measures
- your letter of December 18, 1980 regarding the projected termination of Heu operations

We agree that it does not appear to be cost-effective to initiate capital expenditures at this late date to meet the performance objective of the "Upgrade" rule - providing that adequate levels of protection can be realized through other means.

In my opinion your present physical protection plan could be revised to incorporate commitments similar to the proposals described in your March 16, 1981 Jetter. To meet the performance objectives of the Upgrade rule an approved modification to your present plan along these lines would then serve as your upgrade plan.

Mr. Rentschler of my staff will visit your facility on April 21, 1981 to discuss the development of appropriate measures. We have extablished a target date of May 18, 1931 for final plan approval.

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It has been determined that your letter of March 16, 1981 contains information of a type specified in 10 CFR 2.790(d). Accordingly, it is deemed to be commercail or financial information within the meaning of 10 CFR 9.5)a)(4) and shall be subject to disclosure only in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR 9.12.

Sincerely,

Robert F. Burnett, Director Division of Safeguards, NMSS

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