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Both Amendment No. 2 and its transmittal letter include a statement that the approved Physical Security Plan shall be implemented within 30 days. According to the discussion above, this is not correct. Therefore, we have issued Amendment No. 3 (enclosed) which deletes the untimely implementation requirement by changing paragraph 2.D. I remind you that my office is your official point of contact with NRC headquarters (per letter to you dated May 14, 1980) for all matters related to your license, including physical security. If you have any questions about this or other items, please contact our Project Manager for your facility, Robert E. Carter, 301-492-8106.

Sincerely,

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