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REFERENCE: NRC INSPECTION, LICENSE NO. 04-17473-01E,
 YOUR LETTER OF MARCH 10, 1981

Dear Mr. Book:

Referenced letter has been received and Item A of Appendix A noted. The statements "It is recommended that the source be handled with tweezers or if handled directly, then held by the edges. The source should not be opened. If it becomes damaged, it should be wrapped and discarded. It may be disposed of in the normal trash" have now been inserted into all test source information statements furnished by Technical Associates (Attachment A).

However, it is my opinion that:-

1. The legend previously used (see Attachments B and C) fulfilled requirements of our license and of 10CFR32.19 (d)(3).
2. The statement in Appendix A Notice of Violation accompanying your letter "Severity Level V Violation (Supplement VI)" does not fit with the actual situation. According to Attachment B to your letter -
 - a. Level V refers to other than minor safety or environmental significance.
 - b. Supplement VI refers to fuel cycle operations -

neither of which seems applicable to radiation sources deemed to be license-exempt and suitable for unrestricted public use by the NRC.

We trust the information statement now being sent with source shipments, Attachment A, is satisfactory.

Very truly yours,

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 Enclosures

The accompanying source contains _____ uCi of _____.
This is a license-exempt amount and therefore exempt from NRC or Agreement State Licensing Requirements (Ref. 10CFR 30.18, 32.18,19). Although this is a tiny amount, it is radioactive material and not for human use. Introduction into foods, beverages, cosmetics, drugs, or medicinals or into products manufactured for commercial distribution is prohibited. Exempt quantities should not be combined. It is recommended that the source be handled with tweezers or if handled directly, then held by the edges. The source should not be opened. If it becomes damaged, it should be wrapped and discarded. It may be disposed of in the normal trash.

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ATTACHMENT B TEST SOURCE INFORMATION

The accompanying source contains _____ uCi of _____. This is a generally licensed amount and therefore exempt from NRC or Agreement State Licensing Requirements (Ref. 10CFR 30.18, 32.18, 19). Although this is a tiny amount, it is radioactive material and not for human use. Introduction into foods, beverages, cosmetics, drugs, or medicinals or into products manufactured for commercial distribution is prohibited. Exempt quantities should not be combined. Do not open the source.



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ATTACHMENT C

TEST SOURCE INFORMATION

The accompanying source contains .05 uCi of I-129. This is a generally licensed amount and therefore exempt from NRB or Agreement State Licensing Requirements (Ref. 10CFR 30.18, 32.18, 19). Although this is a tiny amount, it is radioactive material and not for human use. Introduction into foods, beverages, cosmetics, drugs, or medicinals or into products manufactured for commercial distribution is prohibited. Exempt quantities should not be combined. Do not open the source.

Radiation from I-129 is essentially similar to that of I-125. It may, therefore, be used as a permanent comparison standard in place of the shorter-life I-125 source.



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