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License No. 22-23522-01

Northrup King Company ATTN: Andrew Wang, Ph.D. Radiation Safety Officer Highway 19 Stanton, MN 55081

Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Mr. J. L. Lynch of this office on January 25, 1990, of activities authorized by NRC Byproduct Material License No. 22-23522-01, and to the discussion of our findings with you at the conclusion of the inspection.

The inspection was an examination of activities conducted under your license as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and with the conditions of your license. The inspection consisted of a selective examination of procedures and representative records, observations, independent measurements, and interviews with personnel.

During this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Notice. A written response is required.

This violation identified is a repeat item. In your response to this violation, please describe why your proposed corrective action is expected to be more successful in preventing further or similar violations than the corrective action specified during the 1986 inspection.

The responses directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely,

R. J. Caniano, Chief Nuclear Materials Safety Section 2

Enclosure: Notice of Violation

cc w/enclosure: DCD/DCB (RIDS)

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