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Re: License No. SNM-111

Dear Mr Guina:

Because of difficulties of disposing of plutonium wastes containing greater than 10 nCiPu/gm., three changes are necessary in the procedures outlined in my letter of February 12, 1981. They are as follows:

- 1. Plutonium present in glass cubes sent to the U.S.G.S. for leaching studies will remain the property of DOR, and all wastes generated from these studies will be returned to DOE for ultimate disposal.
- 2. Wastes resulting from studies of commercial radioactive waste disposal sites will contain less than 10 nCiPu/ym. These wastes will be shipped to a commercial vaste disposal site.
- 3. All radioactive wastes, from either source, will be solidified and stored in appropriate drums in Room 151, Building 15 prior to shipment.

It is respectfully requested that this be included as an integral part of the above subject license.

Ernest L. Ray Health Physicist

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