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Docket No. 50-263

Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted on February 27--March 1, 1974, by Mr. Hueter of this office of activities authorized by AEC Operating License No. DFR-22 and to the discussion of our findings with Messrs. Clarity and Eliason of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection and subsequently on March 29, 1974 with Mr. Larson.

The enclosed copy of our inspection report identifies areas examined during the inspection. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of a selective examination of procedures and representative records, interviews with plant personnel, and observations by the inspector.

This inspection included a review of Items 2 and 3 of the three items described in our letter dated June 29, 1973.

During this inspection certain of your activities were found to be in apparent violation of AEC requirements, as described under Enforcement Action in the Summary of Findings Section of the enclosed inspection report.

This notice is sent to you pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.201 of the AEC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. Section 2.201 requires you to submit to this office within twenty days of your receipt of this notice a written statement or explanation in reply, including for Violation A: (1) corrective action taken and the results achieved; (2) corrective action to be taken to avoid further violations; and (3) the date when full compliance will be achieved. Regarding Violation B, the inspector determined that corrective action had been taken and that measures had been taken to prevent recurrences. Consequently, no reply is required for Violation B and we have no further questions regarding that matter at this time.

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In accordance with Section 2.790 of the AEC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this notice, the enclosed inspection report, and your response to this notice will be placed in the AEC's Public Document Room, except as follows. If this report contains information that you or your contractors believe to be proprietary, you must apply in writing to this office, within twenty days of your receipt of this notice, to withhold such information from public disclosure. The application must include a full statement of the reasons for which the information is considered proprietary, and should be prepared so that proprietary information identified in the application is contained in an enclosure to the application.

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

Sincerely yours,

James G. Keppler  
Regional Director

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