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In Reply Refer To: Docket: 50-284/81-01

> Idaho State University ATTN: Dr. Albert E. Wilson, Chairman Department of Engineering and Nuclear Science Pocatello, ID 83209

Gentlemen:

This letter refers to the August 3-4, 1981, routine inspection conducted by James A. F. Kelly of NRC's Region IV Office. The activities inspected were those that are authorized under NRC License R-110. It further refers to the discussion that he had with you concerning his findings at the conclusion of the inspection.

The inspection related to your program and activities designed to protect against industrial sabotage and to safeguard special nuclear material. The inspection was based on the applicable provisions of Title 10, Part 50 of the Code of Federal Regulations entitled "Licensing of Production and Utilization Facilities," within Part 73 entitled "Physical Protection of Plants and Materials," and the specific requirements of NRC License R-110. The inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and records, personnel interviews, and observations by the inspector.

During the inspection, it was found that certain activities under your license appear to violate NRC requirements. These items and references to pertinent requirements are listed in the Notice of Violation enclosed herewith as Appendix A. Elements to be included in your response are delineated in Appendix A.

Items A and B in the Notice of Violation have been identified as Severity Level VI violations, as defined in the NRC Interim Enforcement Policy, 45 FR 66754 (October 7, 1980).

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The documentation of findings of your security procedures for safeguarding special nuclear materials and your facility are exempt from disclosure. This exemption is covered within Title 10 CFR Part 2, Section 2.790(d) entitled "Rules of Practice for Domestic Licensing Proceedings." Therefore, the inspection report will not be placed in the Public Document Room and distribution will be limited. If you have any questions concerning this report, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

"Original Signed by: G. D. BROWN"

G. D. Brown, Chief Technical Inspection Branch

Enclosures:

1. Appendix A - Notice of Violation

- 2. Appendix B Inspection Report 50-284/81-01
- 3. 45 FR 66754
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