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Division of Radiation Safety
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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR VERIFICATION SURVEY AT GENERAL ATOMICS, INC,
SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA (TAC L30531)

By letter dated March 1, 1993, General Atomics, Inc. (GA) submitted the SVA Decommissioning Project, Phase I (Pre-Dismantlement) Survey Report requesting that the SVA Fuel Fabrication facility be released for unrestricted use for purposes of dismantlement. In order to complete our review of GA's request, we request that Region V arrange with ORISE, Environmental Survey and Site Assessment Program (ESSAP), to conduct a radiological survey of the SVA facility to verify GA's results. Since GA has indicated that the SVA project is on hold until it receives NRC approval to dismantle the facility, we request the verification survey be completed as soon as possible. For the purposes of this survey, ESSAP should use the criteria cited in Table 1 of "Guidelines for Decontamination of Facilities and Equipment Prior to Release for Unrestricted Use or Termination of Licenses for Byproduct, Source, or Special Nuclear Material" which is incorporated in GA's approved Decommissioning Plan.

Dr. Gerard Wong of the State of California, Department of Health Services, should be notified as to the date of the survey so that a representative from the State may attend.

The results of the survey should be transmitted to this Branch so that we may take the appropriate action on GA's request. If you have any questions on this matter, please contact Elaine Keegan on (301) 504-3354.

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