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Veterans Administration Wadsworth Hospital Center ATTN: Mr. William K. Anderson Wilshire and Sawtelle Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90073

Dear Mr. Anderson:

Based on your memorandum of April 15, 1981 the NRC staff has conducted a radiological assessment of a site formerly used by the VA under License No. 04-00181-04 to dispose of small quantities of radioactive waste. No disposals have taken place since 1968. The Atomic Energy Commission (predecessor to the NRC) indicated in a letter dated December 10, 1969 that no AEC regulatory restrictions need to be placed on future use of the land. We understand that the VA now plans to release the site to the city of Los Angeles for use as a public park.

Based on the radiological assessment, which we recently conducted, we again conclude that the land may be released without restriction on its future use with respect to the reported radioactive material it might contain. Enclosed is a summary of our analysis and copies of the documents which were either prepared by the NRC staff or evaluated by the NRC staff in reaching this conclusion.

Sincerely,

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