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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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799 Roosevelt Road
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Docket No. 70-00036
License No. SM-33

Dear Mr. Grobe:

As requested by your letter dated October 26, 1990, enclosed is a report on the status of the two items which appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as specified in the Notice of Violation concerning Inspection Report No. 70-0036/90003.

Respectfully yours,

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Status of items specified in Notice of Violation
- Inspection Report No. 70-00036/90003.

1. Failure to display an appropriate "EMPTY" label on empty wooden boxes which previously contained radioactive materials and had been returned to the Windsor, Connecticut site.

Appropriate self-adhesive labels had been placed on the boxes prior to shipment on an open flatbed trailer to the Windsor site. However they apparently came off during transport. The labeling procedure has been revised to require the addition of glue to the labels and to require stapling of the labels to the boxes.

2. Uranium hexafluoride cylinders were stored in the cylinder storage area without specific instructions or postings to assure that individual units and/or arrays are safe.

Operation Sheet 201, "Nuclear Safety Parameters" contains specific instructions for storage of cylinders in the storage area. This procedure requires cylinders to be stored on storage blocks with a minimum spacing of one foot between cylinders. Further, this information is posted on the cylinder unloading dock adjacent to the storage area. An additional criticality limit sign has now been posted in the cylinder storage area.

We believe that we are in full compliance with NRC requirements for the above items. We will routinely audit to avoid further violations.

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