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Docket No. 70-371

UNC Naval Products
Division of United Nuclear Corporation
A UNC RESOURCES Company
ATTN: Mr. Glenn O. Amy
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Gentlemen:

Subject: Inspection No. 70-371/81-19

This refers to your letter dated April 2, 1982, in response to our letter dated March 8, 1982.

We have reviewed your chronology of events and associated comments and feel there are several areas that require clarification. These areas are as follows:

1. Your chronology states that the inspectors stated that they were not onsite to conduct a security inspection. The inspectors actually stated that they were not there to conduct a full scope security inspection of the Montville facility, but that they were there to inspect the security measures associated with the shipment.
2. Your chronology states that G. Raposa visually searched the cab of the Tri-State truck. This is misleading. Raposa looked into the cab through an open door on the passenger side of the vehicle. He did this while standing on the ground. He did not enter the cab. He did not require the occupant of the truck to exit the vehicle. To inspect the vehicle in this method does not constitute an adequate visual search of the cab.
3. Your comments relative to Violation A describe the Tri-State driver/escorts as not being "normal visitors". We can only concur in that there was some confusion on the part of your security organization regarding the applicable search requirements. Your people had prior knowledge that this shipment was to take place and that the Tri-State driver/escorts would be armed upon arrival. These individuals were not authorized to bring their weapons onsite. Accordingly, your security management should have taken action to ensure this and all applicable security requirements were met prior to granting protected area entry.

Also, the NRC's search requirements are not designed solely to determine the presence of firearms, but also explosives and incendiary devices. Finally, and perhaps most important, your approved facility security plan does not exempt these individuals from normal search requirements.

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4. Your comment relative to Violation B states that there is "no evidence that any firearms, explosives, incendiary devices, or sabotage items were brought into the protected area." Conversely, due to both an inadequate vehicle search and the failure to perform personnel searches on the driver/escorts, there was no assurance that these items were not introduced into the protected area.

We have reviewed the corrective and preventive actions documented in your letter. These actions appear to be adequate and will be examined during a future inspection of your licensed program.

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Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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