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July 14, 1982

Department of the Interior ATTN: Mr. D. L. Peck, Director Geological Survey Sunrise Valley Drive Reston, VA 22092

Gentlemen:

Subject: Report Nos. 45-15923-01, SMB-237 and SNM-1330/82-01

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Mr. R. A. Brown of this office on June 29, 1982, of activities authorized by NRC License Nos. 45-15923-01, SMB-237 and SNM-1330 for your facility. Our preliminary findings were discussed with Mr. Allan B. Tanner at the conclusion of the inspection.

The inspection was an examination of the activities conducted under your license as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and the conditions of your license. The inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspector.

During the inspection, it was found that certain activities under your license appear to violate NRC requirements. This item 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.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790(a), a copy of this letter will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room unless you notify this office, by telephone, within ten days of the date of this letter and submit written application to withhold information contained therein within thirty days of the date of this letter. Such application must be consistent with the requirements of 10 CFR 2.790(b)(1).

The responses directed by this letter and the enclosures are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

Should you have any questions concerning this letter, we will be glad to discuss them with you.

Sincerely.

Original signed by: A. F. Gibson, Chief Technical Inspection Branch Division of Engineering and Technical Programs

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Enclosure: Appendix A, Notice of Violation

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