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Docket No. 030-19393

License No. 07-20540-01

Formosa Plastics Corporation, Delaware
ATTN: Mr. Francis J. Doyle
Plant Manager
P. O. Box 320
Delaware City, Delaware 19706

Gentlemen:

Subject: Inspection No. 030-19393/82-01

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Mr. C. Stearns of this office on July 15, 1982, of activities authorized by NRC License No. 07-20540-01 and to the discussions of our findings held by Mr. Stearns with yourself and Mr. Markowitz of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

The inspection was an examination of 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, measurements made by the inspector, and observations by the inspector.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that one of your activities was not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements, as set forth in the Notice of Violation, enclosed herewith as Appendix A. This violation has been categorized by severity level in accordance with the NRC Enforcement policy (10 CFR 2, Appendix C) published in the Federal Register Notice (47 FR 9987) dated March 9, 1982. You are required to respond to this letter and in preparing your response, you should follow the instructions in Appendix A.

From the discussion of our findings at the conclusion of the inspection, it is our understanding that you will leave the level gauges containing cesium-137 locked in the closed position until they have been properly inspected by personnel of Texas Nuclear. Further, we understand that your employees will receive training from personnel of Texas Nuclear in the safe operation of the gauges.

The responses directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice 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.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and your reply will be placed in the Public Document Room.

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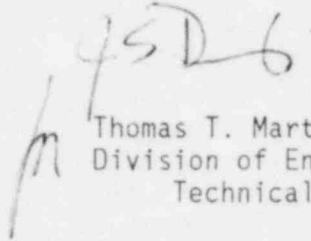
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Your cooperation with us in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,




Thomas T. Martin, Director
Division of Engineering and
Technical Programs

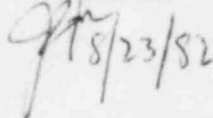
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