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In Reply Refer To: License: 42-26844-01 Docket: 030-29470/90-01

Sperry-Sun Drilling Services, Inc. ATTN: Richard Arsenault Radiation Safety Officer P.O. Box 60070 Houston, Texas 77205

Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine, unannounced radiation safety inspection conducted by Mr. Anthony D. Gaines of this office on July 19 and 30, 1990, of the activities authorized by NRC Byproduct Material License No. 42-26844-01, and to the discussion of our findings held by the inspector with members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

The inspection was an examination of the activities conducted under the license as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and the conditions of the license. The inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews of personnel, independent measurements, and observations by the inspector, both at your corporate office in Houston, Texas, and at a temporary jobsite near Newkirk, Oklahoma.

Enclosed for your signature is NRC Form 591, "Safety Inspection." Please note the apparent violation which was observed during the July 19 and 30, 1990, inspection of your NRC Byproduct Material License, and which was reported to you at the conclusion of the inspection. By signing the NRC Form 591, you agree to correct the violation within 30 days. Please keep the original for your records and return the remaining copies in the envelope provided.

The inspector also reviewed the actions you had taken with respect to the violations observed during our previous inspection conducted on August 10, 1987. He verified that the corrective actions for these violations had been implemented.

Your radiation safety program appears to adequately perform its intended function of protecting the health and safety of your employees and the general public.

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

Sincerely,

Criginal Signed By: CHARLES L. CAIN AV

A. Bill Beach, Director Division of Radiation Safety and Safeguards

Enclosures: 1. NRC Form 591 2. Self-Addressed Envelope CC: Texas Radiation Control Program Director bcc: DMB - Original (IE-07) RDMartin ABBeach LAYande 11 MRodriguez, OC/LFDCB (4503) *CLCain *WLFisher *ADGaines MMIS *MIS System *RIV Files (2) *RSTS Operator *REHall, URFO

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