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Charles E. Norelius, Director Division of Radiation Safety and Safeguards U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Region III 799 Roosevelt Road Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Dear Mr. Norelius:

This letter addresses the question you raised concerning the response to Violation No. 1.C. in our June 13, 1990, letter to you. As discussed in our July 17, 1990, telephone conversation, the University Radiation Protection Program (RPP) has and will continue to conduct routine radiation safety surveys of all radioactive materials use areas, as required under University NRC License No. 22-00187-46 (minimum survey frequency of once every six months).

Apparently the confusion was caused by the reference to a September 1, 1990, initiation date for the audit/survey function. At the NRC Inspection Close-Out Meeting, the University was advised of the need to add an audit function (minimum frequency of once a year) as part of our current routine radiation safety survey of use areas. University Administration authorized the RPP to add two new staff positions to accomplish this new audit function. As of August 1, 1990, these technical staff positions were filled. We are currently training the new staff members and will begin the new audit function in September of this year.

If you require additional information or clarification concerning this matter, please call me at 612/626-6764.

Sincerely,

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