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Mr. George J. Miskho, Director
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P.O. Box 550
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Dear Mr. Miskho:

This letter is in response to your letter dated March 15, 1982 to All Holders of Plutonium-Beryllium Neutron Sources.

We recently became aware of this letter and we are concerned about the safe handling of these sources. We believe that your letter does not adequately stress the need for the inspection of these sources by "licensed" personnel. In addition, the licensing authority must approve any proposed testing or examination of these sources before such work is to begin.

We request that you provide us a copy of the list of all holders of these sources so that we may remind them of their obligation regarding safe handling of these sources.

If you have any questions on this please contact: Lloyd Bolling, FTS-432-9858.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by
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