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Docket No. 70-1252

Edlow International Company ATTN: N. Ravenscroft 1566 Connecticut Avenue Suite 500 Wasnington, DC 20009

Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 70-1252/90-03

Thank you for your response of August 20, 1990, to our Notice of Violation issued on July 24, 1990, concerning your activities related to the transportation of irradiated fuel through the Port of Wilmington, NC. We have evaluated your response and found that it meets the requirements of 10 CFR 2.201. We will examine the implementation of your corrective actions during future inspections.

Your explanation of the circumstances that precluded accomplishment of required notifications and arrangements for communications and emergency response to requests for assistance as noted in the inspection report and reiterated in your response, is not an acceptable justification for failure to comply with regulatory requirements. As stated in the inspection report, the sailing time of more than 20 hours from Portsmouth, VA to Wilmington, NC provided ample time to make required notifications and arrangements for communications and emergency assistance via telephone.

We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

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