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Department of Commerce
NOAA, NMFS, EC Division
Northwest Fisheries Science Center
2725 Montlake Boulevard, East
Seattle, Washington 98112

Attention: Linda Jones,
Deputy Center Director

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION (NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 030-08203/94-01)

This refers to the inspection conducted by Troy W. Pruett of this office on March 22, 1994. The inspection included a review of activities authorized for Department of Commerce, Seattle, Washington. The findings were discussed with you and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

The inspection was an examination of the activities conducted under your NRC license as they relate to radiation safety and compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and the conditions of your license. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations of activities in progress.

Based on the results of this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice). The violations involving the failure to perform bioassay measurements and instrument calibrations as required by your NRC license are of particular concern because they demonstrate the need to ensure that management implements effective and long lasting corrective actions for identified deficiencies in the radiation safety program.

Even though the criteria in the NRC Enforcement Policy (10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C, Section VII.B) were satisfied, the failure to maintain records of disposal of radioactive materials as required by 10 CFR 30.51(a) is being cited because licensee personnel were not aware of the requirement to maintain disposal records.

You are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. In your response, you should document the specific actions taken and any additional actions you plan to take to prevent recurrence. After reviewing your response to this Notice, including your proposed corrective actions and the results of future inspections, the NRC will determine whether further NRC enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with NRC regulatory requirements. This enforcement action could include a civil penalty, suspension of licensed activities, or an order modifying the license if the failure to perform bioassays or instrument calibrations is identified by the NRC during the next inspection.

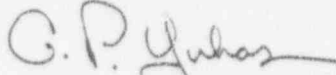
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In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

The responses directed by this letter and the enclosed Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, Pub. L. No. 96-511.

Sincerely,



Gregory P. Yohas, Chief,
Radioactive Materials Safety Branch

Enclosures:

Notice of Violation

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