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Docket No. 99990001

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Gentlemen:

Subject: Report No. 99990001/90-013

This refers to my visit with you on October 10, 1990 regarding the burial of source material on property formerly owned by the Norton Company. The information provided during my visit was helpful in understanding what was buried. It appears that this burial was conducted in compliance with then current Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) regulations. As I explained at that time, NRC, as successor to the AEC, plans to review past burials of radioactive material to determine if any action is necessary to protect the environmental or the health and safety of the public. Based on the information you provided, included the nature of the area where the material is being buried and the small amount of buried material, we have concluded there is no need for immediate action regarding this material. We will keep you informed of the results of our review. If we require additional information concerning this burial to complete our review we will contact you.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulation, a copy of this letter will be placed in the Public Document Room.

Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:
John D. Kinneman

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