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MEMORANDUM FOR: Docket File No. 40-4492
FROM: Daniel M. Gillen, Project Manager
Uranium Recovery Field Office
SUBJECT: REVIEW OF INSPECTION REPORT, FEDERAL-AMERICAN
PARTNERS (FAP), GAS HILLS MILL

An inspection of FAP's activities authorized by NRC Source Material License SUA-667 was conducted by Messrs. N.M. Shopenn and J.E. Whitten of Region IV on February 1-2, 1982. The inspection team first reviewed the action that had been taken by FAP with respect to six items of noncompliance that had been identified during a previous inspection in August, 1980. It was verified that the corrective actions were implemented by FAP in a satisfactory manner. An inspection followed, consisting of selective examinations of procedures and records, interviews of personnel, independent measurements, and general observations. No violations of NRC requirements were found during this inspection.

Two procedural items were identified by the inspection team as not being in accordance with standard NRC requirements. They were not identified as items of noncompliance, since the license has no specific requirements pertinent to the items. The two items are as follows:

1. Instrumentation related to the radiation protection program had not been calibrated at six month intervals.
2. No contamination surveys had been performed within the mill or adjacent office space, and spot surveys had not been performed to verify that mill workers were showering or surveying themselves upon exiting the mill.

These issues were concluded by the inspection team to be "open" pending action by the Uranium Recovery Field Office staff.

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I have reviewed the inspection report transmitted to FAP from Region IV by letter dated March 16, 1982, and conclude that the inspection was carried out in a manner that sufficiently covered the complete scope of the license. Based on the facts that the FAP mill is currently in a standby shutdown status and the license renewal review is progressing toward completion, no licensing action is needed at this time to address the two procedural inadequacies discussed above. These two items are considered by the staff to be standard health physics practices for uranium mills and will be incorporated into the license requirements as part of the license renewal.

Original Signed by
D. M. Gillen

Daniel M. Gillen
Uranium Recovery Field Office

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