

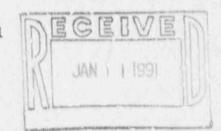
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January 8, 1991



Mr. A. Bill Beach, Director Division of Radiation Safety and Safeguards U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission 611 Ryan Plaza Drive, Suite 1000 Arlington, TX 76011

Re: License SNM-1101 and Docket 070-01167/90-01

Dear Mr. Beach:

I am in receipt of your letter dated December 24, 1990, concerning a routine inspection by Mr. Richard A. Leonardi, Jr., from your office on November 28, 1990. Correspondence is in reference to License SNM-1101 and Docket 070-01167/90-01.

The referenced plutonium-beryllium (Pu-Be) neutron source for academic instruction has been cited for minor violations of said license. Mr. Darrell Wiersig has informed me that he has been in contact with Ms. Billie Grusznski of Dallas, Texas, on this date, January 8, 1991, concerning the disposal of said neutron source. We are doit everything in our power to eliminate the neutron source and are currently working with the Department of Energy for such disposal. We hope to have the neutron source completely off campus in the next 60-90 days. Proper precautions have been taken so that no one will be allowed to handle the neutron source except Darrell Wiersig and his staff.

If further information is needed, please do not hesitate to call upon me.

Sincerely,

Joe J. Struckle

President

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