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Docket No. 030-20683

License No. 37-20657-01

Koppel Steel Corporation ATTN: Mr. Robert Alpert President P. O. Box 401 Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania 15010

Gentlemen:

Subject: Routine Inspection No. 90-001

On December 5, 1990, R. H. Ladun of this office conducted a complete safety inspection at Mount Street at 6th Avenue, Koppel, Pennsylvania, of activities authorized by the above listed NRC license. The inspection was an examination of your licensed activities as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Commission's regulations and the license conditions. The inspection consisted of observations by the inspector, interviews with personnel, and a selective examination of representative records. In addition, our inspection examined the activities covered in your correspondence dated August 3, 1987. This also refers to the telephone conversation on December 11, 1990 between Ms. K. Honel and Mr. R. H. Ladun. The findings of the inspection were discussed with Mr. W. R. Heistand of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that your activities were not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements. A Notice of Violation is enclosed as Appendix A and categorizes each violation by severity level in accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C (Enforcement Policy). You are required to respond to this letter and in preparing your response, you should follow the instructions in Appendix A.

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

The responses directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

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Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By: John R. White

John R. White, Chief Nuclear Materials Safety Section C Division of Radiation Safety and Safeguards

Enclosure: Appendix A, Notice of Violation

cc: Public Document Room (PDR) Nuclear Safety Information Center (NSIC) Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Mr. W. R. Heistand, Radiation Safety Officer

bcc: Region I Docket Room (w/concurrences) Management Assistant, DRMA

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