Docket No. 070-00224

License No. SNM-214 (Retired)

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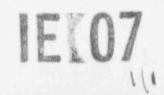
Dear Ms. Aldrich:

Subject: RETIRED LICENSE NO. SNM-214

As you may be aware, The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is reviewing old files as part of a program to ensure that facilities, where activities were authorized by AEC and NRC licenses that were terminated after 1965, are suitable for release for unrestricted use in accordance with current NRC guidelines. As part of this program, our contractor, Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL), reviewed each terminated license file and scored it according to a system designed to identify facilities that require additional review by the NRC staff. In general, files that indicate that licensed material may have been used at particular facilities, but which do not include adequate final survey records for those facilities, are identified for additional review. The review by ORNL identified License No. SNM-214 as a file describing a site that requires additional review. License No. SNM-214 was issued to the Carborundum Company by the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) on June 3, 1958 and was terminated by the AEC in December 1968. The NRC Region I staff reviewed this file and determined that additional review was necessary since the final survey, conducted on the fourth floor of Building I at their Buffalo Avenue, Niagara Falls, New York facility, did not provide sufficient detail to conclude that the facility meets current guidelines for release for unrestricted use.

Based upon the discussions between a representative from the Carborundum Company and Mark Roberts of my staff, we were informed that Building 1 was demolished in May 1993 and that a radiological survey of the building was conducted prior to demolition in July 1992. After reviewing the historical information in our files and the radiological survey information sent to us by Carborundum, we have concluded that further review of this facility is not necessary and further conclude that the remaining facility likely meets current NRC guidelines for release for unrestricted use.





Since the facility is in the State of New York State and the State has entered into an agreement with the NRC for the regulation of most radioactive material in the State, we are forwarding a copy of our letter to Carborundum, the enclosures to the letter and the information submitted by Carborundum for your information.

If you would like to discuss this matter, please contact Craig Gordon at (610) 337-5216.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By: John D. Kinnepan

John D. Kinneman, Chief Site Decommissioning Section Division of Radiation Safety and Safeguards

## Enclosures:

- 1. Letter from NRC to The Carborundum Company, dated June 8, 1994 with enclosures.
- 2. Letter from The Carborundum Company to the NRC, dated May 13, 1994.

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