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Docket No. 070-00224

License No. SNM-214  
(Retired)

The Carborundum Company  
ATTN: Ronald F. Spears Jr.  
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Dear Mr. Spears:

Subject: RETIRED LICENSE NO. SNM-214

This refers to License No. SNM-214. This license was issued to the Carborundum Company by the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) on June 3, 1958. The license was terminated by the AEC in December 1968.

As Mark C. Roberts of my staff discussed with you by telephone on May 4, 1994, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) records for this license were reviewed as part of an NRC 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. 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 1 at your 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 you and Mr. Roberts, we understand 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 accompanying your May 13, 1994 letter, 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. We appreciate your prompt attention to our request for information regarding this facility.

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In response to your request to Mr. Roberts for historical survey and licensing information in our files, we are enclosing a copy of the items identified in the enclosures section of this letter.

Since your 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, a copy of this letter and the enclosures are being sent to Rita Aldrich at the Radiological Health Unit, New York State Department of Labor, for their information.

Again, thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

*Original Signed By:*  
John D. Kinneman

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Division of Radiation Safety  
and Safeguards

Enclosures:

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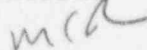
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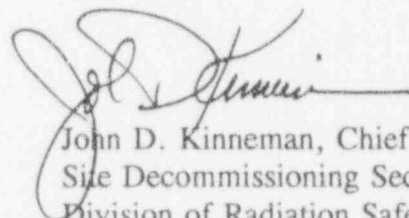
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