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Docket No. 030-28790

License No. 20-20878-01

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ATTN: Alan Humanson

Environmental Health and Safety Coordinator

205 Alewife Brook Parkway

Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Gentlemen:

Subject: Routine Inspection No. 030-28790/90-001

On November 6, 1990, Lester M. Tripp of this office conducted a routine safety inspection at the above address 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 30, 1990. The findings of the inspection were discussed with you 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.

The item described in the attached Notice of Violation involving the disposal of licensed material is classified as a Severity Level IV violation. As indicated in Supplement IV of the NRC Enforcement Policy, significant violations of this type are normally classified as Severity Level III. However, after careful consideration of the factors involved in this specific instance, it is felt this incident posed a minimal health and safety problem. We have exercised our judgment under the NRC Enforcement Policy and have classified this violation as Severity Level IV. Similar violations of this type in the future may result in additional enforcement action.

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,

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JEAN GRESICK-SCHUGSTA

*for*

Mohamed M. Shanbaky, Chief  
Nuclear Materials Safety Section A  
Division of Radiation Safety  
and Safeguards

Enclosure:  
Appendix A, Notice of Violation

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