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Docket No. 50-123

The Curators of the University of Missouri - Rolla ATTN: Dr. Don Warner. Dean School of Mines and Metallurgy Rolla, MO 65401

Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine safeguards inspection conducted by Mr. B. W. Stapleton of this office on August 30 and 31, 1983, of activities at the University of Missouri - Rolla Reactor, authorized by NRC Operating License No. R-79 and to the discussion of our findings with Dr. A. Bolon and Mr. M. Straka of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

The enclosed copy of our inspection report identifies areas examined during the inspection. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of a selective examination of procedures and representative records, observations, and interviews with personnel.

During this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in noncompliance with NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Appendix. A written response is required. Additionally, an item of concern was identified, for which we request a written response within 30 days.

Areas examined during this inspection concern a subject matter which is exempt from disclosure according to Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Fractice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. Consequently, the enclosure to this letter, our report of this inspection, and your response to the noncompliance identified in the enclosure to this letter and the item of concern identified in the report will not be placed in the Public Document Room. Therefore, your statement of corrective action regarding the noncompliance identified in the enclosure and the item of noncompliance identified in the report should be submitted as a separate enclosure to your transmittal letter.

The responses directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice (Order) 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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We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

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Sincerely.

W. L. Axelson, Chief Materials and Safeguards Branch

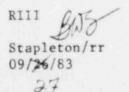
Enclosures: 1. Appendix, Notice of Violation 2. Inspection Report No. 50-123/ 83-01(DRMSP)

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