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Docket No. 50-27

Research Reactor, Nuclear Radiation Center Washington State University Pullman, Washington 99163

Attention: Mr. W. E. Wilson Associate Director

Gentlemen:

Subject: NRC Inspection

This refers to the routine inspection conducted by Mr. Sherman of this office on September 19,20 and 21, 1983, of activities authorized by NRC License No. R-76 and to the discussion of our findings held by Mr. Sherman with Dr. Filby and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during this inspection are described in the enclosed inspection report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspector.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that one of your activities was not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements, as set forth in the Notice of Violation, enclosed herewith as Appendix A.

Your response to this Notice is to be submitted in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201 as stated in Appendix A, Notice of Violation.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790(a), a copy of this letter and the enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room unless you notify this office, by telephone, within ten days of the date of this letter and submit written application to withhold information contained therein within thirty days of the date of this letter. Such application must be consistent with the requirements of 2.790(b)(1).

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Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be glad to discuss them with you.

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.

> Sincerely, Original signed in F. A. Wenshamidi

Ross A. Scarano, Director Division of Radiological Safety and Safeguards Programs

Enclosure:

- A. Notice of Violation
- B. Inspection Report No. 50-27/83-01

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