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Docket No. 50-187

Northrop Research and Technology Center
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Attention: Dr. Jack Benveniste
Chief Scientist

Gentlemen:

This letter refers to the routine material control and accounting safeguards inspection of your activities authorized under NRC License No. R-90 conducted by Messrs. A. V. Wieder and G. B. Nelson of this office, March 19-20, 1984. It also refers to the discussion of the inspection findings with members of the Northrop staff March 20, 1984, and a followup telephone conversation April 27, 1984.

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

Within the scope of this inspection, no items of noncompliance were observed.

In accordance with Section 2.790(d) of NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, documentation of the findings of your control and accounting procedures for safeguarding special nuclear material are exempt from public disclosure; therefore, the enclosed inspection report will not be placed in the Public Document Room.

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

Sincerely,

//signed//

LeRoy R. Norderhaug, Chief
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Enclosure:

Inspection Report No. 50-187/84-01 (IE-V-615)

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