

MATERIAL TRANSMITTED HERewith CONTAINS
2.790 INFORMATION

Docket No. 99990005

Transnuclear, Inc.
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APR 5 1984

Attention: Ms. Tracy Butenko

Gentlemen:

Subject: Transient Shipment of Special Nuclear Material

A special material control and accounting safeguards inspection was made of a special nuclear material shipment in transit at Chipman Freight Services, Oakland, California, March 16, 1984.

The inspection was conducted by Region V Safeguards Inspector G. B. Nelson and P. R. Zurakowski, Radiation Specialist. Each examined a special nuclear material transient shipment originating from Dusseldorf, Federal Republic of Germany, being transhipped through Chipman Freight Services, Oakland, California to Nuclear Fuel Industries, Ltd., Tokyo, Japan via Showa Ocean Carrier.

The Type A 6M drum containing special nuclear material of less than low strategic significance in the form of triuranium octaoxide was inspected because of a missing Type "E" metal tamper-indicating device.

No conclusive evidence of diversion of SNM was identified.

In accordance with Section 2.790(d) of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, documentation of their findings are exempt from disclosure. Therefore, the enclosed inspection report will not be placed in the public document room, but the report will be given limited distribution.

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

Sincerely,

Original signed by

L. R. Norderhaug

LeRoy R. Norderhaug, Chief

Safeguards and Emergency Preparedness
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Enclosure:

Inspection Report No. 99990005/84-01 (IE-V-623)

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