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July 6, 1979 (979 JUL 11 PM | 16 IN REPLY REFER TO:

William J. Walker, Jr., Ph.D. License Management Branch Division of Fuel Cycle and Material Safety SSION U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Dr. Walker:

This is in reply to your telephone call of July 2, 1979, requesting clarification of two points in our letter of May 9, 1979.

Annual Review of Safety Program: As Chairman of the Isotope Committee, I can assure the Commission that the Radiation Safety Program at this institution will be reviewed at least annually by our Committee. This is a commitment for a thorough review of records pertaining to the program, reports from the radiation safety officer, results of NRC inspections, written safety and management control procedures.

Sources for Calibration of Survey Instruments: In order to allow calibration of survey meters in the highest scale range, we are today placing an order for procurement of the following source, in addition to those sources already on hand and described in our original application:

Cesium-137 Gamma Reference Source

Manufacturer: Isotope Products Laboratory 1800 North Keystone Street Burbank, Ca

Purchased through: Spectrum Sciences P.O. Box 1714 Palo Alto, Ca 94302

Number of Source: # HE G - 137 - 50

Activity: 50 mCi ± 5%

Traceable to N.B.S.

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"To care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow, and his orphan."- ABRAHAM LINCOLN

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I hope this is a satisfactory reply to those questions you raised.

Sincerely,

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RALPH R. CAVALIERI, M.D. Chairman Isotope Committee

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cc: Radiation Safety Officer Other members of Isotope Committee