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Docket: 50-128/88-01  
EA 88-92

Texas A&M University  
ATTN: Dr. Herbert H. Richardson, Director  
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Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. H. D. Chaney of this office during the period March 7-9, 1988, of activities authorized by NRC Operating License R-83 for the Texas A&M University TRIGA reactor, and to the discussion of our findings with Dr. John W. Poston and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during the inspection included the radiation protection, emergency planning, nuclear material safeguards, and the physical security programs. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examination of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the NRC inspector. The inspection findings are documented in the enclosed inspection report.

During this inspection it was found that certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements. As discussed in the telephone conversation on March 23, 1988, between Mr. R. L. Bangart of this office and Dr. Poston of your staff, we have scheduled an enforcement conference in our office at 9:30 a.m. on April 5, 1988, to discuss your understanding of these apparent violations, the reasons for occurrence, and your corrective actions. We will also discuss any potential enforcement options available to the NRC, if appropriate. You should also plan to discuss the open items identified in the inspection report.

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

Sincerely,

Original Signed By  
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Enclosure:  
Appendix - NRC Inspection Report  
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