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U. S. Army, Corps of Engineers San Francisco District 211 Main Street, Room 906C San Francisco, California 94105

Attention: Mr. Jack E. Farless

Radiation Protection Officer

Gentlemen:

This is in reference to your application dated January 3, 1986 for a byproduct material license, and to our telephone conversation on January 22, 1986.

In our telephone conversation on January 22, 1986, you stated that the Troxler Model 3565 sediment density gauge will be used to measure the density of construction materials in hoppers as well as measuring the density of soft soils and sediments on river bottoms, bays, channels, or the ocean floor.

We also discussed the fact that the use of the Troxler Model 3565 sediment density gauge, unlike most portable gauges, requires removal of the source rod from the lead shielding in the shipping carton and requires handling of the source rod when the source is in a partially shielded condition.

In order to complete our review, we need the following additional information:

- 1. You should have access to a properly calibrated radiation safety instrument (with a range of at least 1 through 200 milliroentgens per hour) which will be used whenever the Model 3565 gauge is used. You should use the instrument to assure that levels in unrestricted areas do not exceed the limits stated in 10 CFR 20.105, copy enclosed. Survey results should be documented and maintained for inspection purposes. You should describe the survey instrument (manufacturer's name and model number) which will be available to you. You should also identify the facility which will calibrate the instrument and state the calibration frequency (at least annually and after servicing).
- Your utilization procedure should include instructions on handling the source rod to assure that personnel will not handle the source-area of the rod and that steps are taken to avoid unnecessary exposure. The procedures should also specify the means for preventing other personnel from entering the restricted area during gauge use in and around bins, tanks, or hoppers. You should expand and resubmit your utilization procedures.

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JAN 2 7 1986 -2-U. S. Army We will continue the review of your request for a byproduct material license upon receipt of this information. If we do not receive a reply from you within 30 calendar days from the date of this letter, we shall assume that you do not wish to pursue your application. Please reply in duplicate, and refer to Mail Control No. 70321. Sincerely, Beth A. Riedlinger Health Physicist (Licensing) Nuclear Materials Safety Section Enclosure: 10 CFR Part 20 Guide for portable gauges Guide for non-portable gauges

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