

FEB 10 1987

Docket No. 70-008
Docket No. 50-006

License No. SNM-7
License No. R-4

Battelle Columbus Laboratories
ATTN: Dr. W. J. Madia, Director
505 King Avenue
Columbus, OH 43201

Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Mr. G. M. France, III of this office on January 12-16, 1987, of activities at Battelle Columbus Laboratories authorized by NRC Materials Licenses No. SNM-7 and No. R-4 and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. V. Pasupathi and other members of your West Jefferson staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

The enclosed copy of our inspection report identifies areas examined during the inspection. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of a selective examination of procedures and representative records, observations, and interviews with personnel.

During this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Notice. A written response is required.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter, and the enclosures, and your response to this letter will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely,

8702170601 870210
PDR ADDOCK 05000006
Q PDR

"Original signed by W.D. Shafer"

W. D. Shafer, Chief
Emergency Preparedness and
Radiological Protection Branch

Enclosures:

1. Notice of Violation
2. Inspection Reports
No. 70-008/87001(DRSS);
No. 50-006/87001(DRSS)

cc w/enclosures:
DCS/RSB (RIDS)
Robert H. Quillin, Ohio
Department of Health

RIII
France/nma

RIII
Greger

RIII
Shafer

IE06 1/1
ADD DHSS 4th Floor