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Docket No. 030-19484

Smithsonian Institution
Conservation Analytical Laboratory
ATTN: Dr. David Von Endt
Radiation Safety Officer
Washington, D.C. 20560

Gentlemen:

Subject: Routine Inspection No. 87-001

On March 18, 1987, Mrs. Teresa Hall Darden of this office conducted a routine safety inspection at 4210 Silver Hill Road, Suitland, Maryland of activities authorized by the above listed NRC license. The inspection was an examination of your licensed activities as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Commission's regulations and the license conditions. The inspection consisted of observations by the inspector, interviews with personnel, and a selective examination of representative records. The findings of the inspection were discussed with you at the conclusion of the inspection. This also refers to the telephone conversation between yourself and Mrs. Darden on April 21, 1987.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that your activities were not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements. A Notice of Violation is enclosed as Appendix A and categorizes each violation by severity level in accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C (Enforcement Policy). You are required to respond to this letter and in preparing your response, you should follow the instructions in Appendix A.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and your reply will be placed in the Public Document Room.

The responses directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

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Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:

Francis M. Costello

John D. Kinneman, Chief
Nuclear Materials Safety Section A
Division of Radiation Safety
and Safeguards

Enclosure: Appendix A, Notice of Violation

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