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Battelle Columbus Laboratories
ATTN: Dr. W. J. Madia, Director
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Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Mr. G. M. France, III of this office on February 14-16, 1989, of activities at Battelle Columbus Division authorized by NRC Materials Licenses No. SNM-7 and No. R-4 and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. J. W. Ray, Vice President, Nuclear Operations and other members of your West Jefferson staff at the conclusion of the inspection. This report also references our telephone conversation of March 6, 1989, with Mr. G. Kirsch concerning neutron attenuation.

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.

No violations of NRC requirements were identified during the course of this inspection.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosed inspection report will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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

Sincerely,

Bruce S. Mallett

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