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Docket No. 030-19377

License No. 29-16695-02

Dames and Moore ATTN: James Dette Geotechnical Group Leader/Partner 12 Commerce Drive Cranford, New Jersey 07016

Gentlemen:

Subject: Routine Inspection No. 030-19377/89-001

On May 9, 1989, Richard B. Provencher of this office conducted a routine safety inspection at the above address 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.

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.

Items A, D, E, and F, in the Notice of Violation enclosed with this letter was identified during a previous inspection of your licensed program and documented in a Notice of Violation enclosed with our letter dated August 13, 1985. From this inspection it appears that your corrective actions were not effective since these items have recurred. Recurrent and uncorrected violations are given additional weight in the consideration and selection of appropriate enforcement action. Therefore, in your response to this letter, you should give particular attention to those actions taken or planned to ensure that identified items of noncompliance will be completely corrected and will not recur.

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: John R. White

John R. White, Chief Nuclear Materials Safety Section C Division of Radiation Safety and Safeguards

Enclosure: Appendix A, Notice of Violation

cc: Public Document Room (PDR) Nuclear Safety Information Center (NSIC) State of New Jersey

bcc: Region I Docket Room (w/concurrences) Management Assistant, DRMA R. B. Provencher, RI

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RT:DRSS White

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