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Dear Dr. Johnson:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated May 26, 1998, and your check for \$2,750 in payment for the civil penalty proposed by NRC in a letter dated April 28, 1998. Your corrective actions will be examined during future NRC inspections.

In your response you state that you do not agree that Violation E, 10 CFR 20.1801, Security of radioactive material in storage is a violation, but nevertheless you are responding to the underlying issues. However, you do not state the basis for your disagreement. You acknowledge that "the back of the trailer that contained radioactive material was both unlocked and unattended" during the course of the inspection. Radiation levels were measured at 0.2 and 0.6 millirem by the NRC inspector. You initiated and implemented corrective action to ensure that the trailer was secured prior to the conclusion of the site inspection and the departure of the NRC inspectors. Based on these facts, the security violation remains. Since you paid the civil penalty, we consider this matter closed.

Sincerely,

Mark A. Satorius, Acting Director
Office of Enforcement

cc: H. Miller, RI

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