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Docket No. 50-263

Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Messrs. Johnson and Tambling of this office on October 24-26, 1973, of operations at the Monticello plant authorized by AEC Operating License DPR-22, and to the discussion of our findings held by the inspectors with Messrs. Larson, Clarity and Anderson of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

A copy of our report of this inspection is enclosed and identifies the areas examined during the inspection. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examination of procedures and representative records, interviews with plant personnel, and observations by the inspectors.

This inspection included an examination of your corrective actions as described in your letters of July 16 and September 7, 1973, which were in reply to our letters of June 28 and August 20, 1973, respectively. We have no further questions on these matters at this time.

During this inspection, it was found that certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of AEC requirements. The items and references to the pertinent requirements are listed under Enforcement Action in the Summary of Findings Section of the enclosed inspection report.

This notice is sent to you pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.201 of the AEC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. We have examined your corrective actions related to these violations and consider them to be resolved. No further correspondence on these two matters is required.

Based on the findings of this inspection, we note that the implementation of your quality assurance program has not met the schedule objectives outlined in your November 10, 1972 letter to Regulatory Operations, Headquarters. We request that you provide us, within 20 days, a future date by which you plan to have a formal program pursuant to 10 CFR 50, Appendix B, placed fully into effect.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the AEC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosed inspection report will be placed in the AEC's Public Document Room. If this report contains any information that you or your contractors believe to be proprietary, it is necessary that you make a written application to this office, within twenty days of your receipt of this letter, to withhold such information from public disclosure. Any such application must include a full statement of the reasons on the basis of which it is claimed that the information is proprietary, and should be prepared so the proprietary information identified in the application is contained in a separate part of the document. Unless we receive an application to withhold information or are otherwise contacted within the specified time period, the written material identified in this paragraph will be placed in the Public Document Room.

Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be glad to discuss them with you.

Sincerely yours,

James G. Keppler
Regional Director

Enclosure:
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