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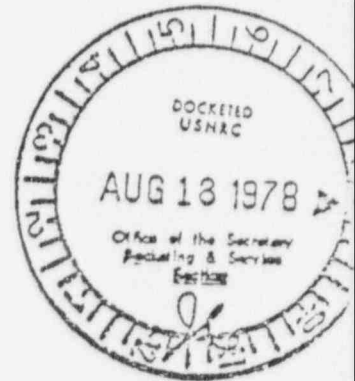
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Mr. Samuel Chilk, Secretary
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Subject: Quality Assurance Requirements
for Transportation Packaging
of Radioactive Materials
10 CFR 71, Appendix E



Dear Mr. Chilk:

It is our belief, based upon our own experience as a user of Iridium 192 and upon what we have learned of the experience of others, that the handling and shipping of isotopes according to regulations presently in effect has been safe as well as satisfactory in other respects.

It therefore seems to us that the proposed Appendix E to 10 CFR, Part 71 would increase the cost of government administration and complicate the work of licensees without any predictable beneficial effect, and we therefore urge that this proposed change in the regulations not be made.

Respectfully submitted,

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