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Nuclear Materials Safety Section B
Division of Radiation Safety
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Nuclear Regulatory Commission
631 Park Avenue
King of Prussia, PA 19406

Re: Docket No. 030-12745
030-01813

License No. 20-00595-06
20-00595-02

Inspection No. 85-01

Dear Dr. Glenn:

This letter is in response to your letter to Dr. Paul Gross, dated March 22, 1985, regarding noncompliance with respect to our NRC licenses.

Regarding the infraction outlined in Appendix A, Part A, Number 1, all survey instruments used for radiation protection purposes in use at the MBL have been checked with regard to the calibration dates. Two were found in noncompliance, the same two referred to in the Notice of Violation. These two instruments were replaced with comparable survey instruments possessing valid calibration dates while the original two are being calibrated. Compliance was achieved on April 1, 1985. A calendar schedule is being drawn up to include the calibration due dates for the survey instruments to insure that all the instruments are calibrated two times a year, typically shortly before and after the summer season. The other items listed later in this letter are also included on this calendar schedule.

Regarding Number 2 of Part A, wipe tests and area surveys were most recently taken of all labs using licensed by-product material on April 2 and 3, 1985. Based on the results of these tests all the labs

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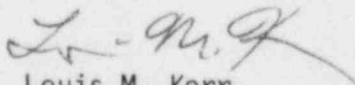
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were in compliance. Compliance to the regulations was achieved on April 3, 1985. Wipe tests and area surveys will also become part of the calendar schedule referred to in the above paragraph to insure that the tests are conducted at least monthly.

Regarding Part B, the sealed source under license No. 20-00595-06 was tested for leakage and/or contamination on April 2, 1985. Results showed no detectable leakage or contamination. Compliance was therefore achieved on April 2, 1985. Again, this test will become a part of the calendar schedule to insure that the source be tested for leakage and/or contamination at intervals not to exceed six months.

Should you require additional response or information, I will be happy to provide them.

Respectfully yours,


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