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License No. SNM-764 (Retired)  
SMB-239 (Retired)  
Docket No. 070-00832  
040-01020  
Minnesota Mining and  
Manufacturing Co. (3M)  
ATTN: Mr. Robert G. Wissink  
Corporate Radiation Safety Officer  
Health Physics Services  
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Dear Mr. Wissink:

This refers to the environmental safety assessment and special safety inspection of a 3M radiological burial site located on 3M owned and controlled property in Kerrick, Minnesota. This inspection and safety assessment was conducted by Messrs. D. G. Wiedeman and R. G'inski of this office on July 20 and October 20, 1992. Licensed activities were previously authorized by AEC Special Nuclear Material License No. SNM-764 and Source Material License No. SMB-239. This also refers to the telephone conversation between D. G. Wiedeman and Mr. Duane Hall of your office on February 2, 1993 regarding the results of our confirmatory measurements and environmental analytical sampling results.

The enclosed copy of our inspection report identifies areas examined during the inspection. The inspection consisted of a selective examination of representative records from the former license files including historical environmental sampling results, observations, independent measurements, and interviews with personnel. Based upon this inspection, we have concluded that the radiation levels from the burial site will not present an immediate radiologic hazard to members of the public or to the environment. The data collected from this inspection will be used to determine if any remedial actions will be required at the site and to determine if the radiological concentrations meet current NRC guidelines as described in the NRC Branch Technical Position (BTP) (Federal Register/Vol. 46, No. 205/October 23, 1981). You will be notified under separate correspondence regarding our assessment of this matter.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter, and the enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely,

Roy J. Caniano, Chief  
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Enclosure: Inspection Reports  
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No. 040-01020/92001(DRSS)

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