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Mr. Martin B. Lowenthal
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SUBJECT: INSPECTION NO. 030-33387/96-001

Dear Mr. Lowenthal:

This letter refers to your August 23, 1996 correspondence, in response to our August 5, 1996 letter.

Thank you for informing us of the corrective and preventive actions documented in your letter. These actions will be examined during a future inspection of your licensed program.

Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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No: 030-33387/96-001

Subject: Reply to a Notice of Violation

Dear Sirs/Madams:

U.S. Engineering Laboratories, Inc. (USEL) is in receipt of the August 5, 1996 Notice of Violation (NRC Inspection Report No: 030-33387/96-001) issued by Mr. Hubert J. Miller, Region I Administrator. Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, USEL hereby submits the following reply.

The August 5th correspondence from Region I accurately reports the apparent violations, our immediate response, and the corrective measures we have taken.

With regard to the apparent violation concerning the control and surveillance of gauges at temporary jobsites, we will continue to educate our certified gauge operators through memos and verbal communications as to the proper level of care to be taken.

Until such time as our license has been amended to include training of gauge operators by NRC approved radiation safety instructors (non-manufacturers), only those employees that have attended a manufacturer's training course will be permitted to operate a gauge.

We wish to thank the staff of Region I for their patience and guidance throughout this process and we remain available to answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

U.S. ENGINEERING LABORATORIES, INC.

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