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Docket No. 030-05232

License No. 29-00270-08

NL Chemicals/NL Chemicals, Inc.
ATTN: Mr. C. Brandyberry
P.O. Box 700
Hightstown, New Jersey 08520

Gentlemen:

Subject: Inspection No. 85-01

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Mr. J. McFadden of this office on March 19, 1985 of activities authorized by NRC License No. 29-00270-08 and to the discussions of our findings held by Mr. J. McFadden with Mr. Brandyberry at the conclusion of the inspection.

The inspection was an examination of activities conducted under your license as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and the conditions of your license. The inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, measurements made by the inspector, and observations by the inspector.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that certain of your activities were not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements, as set forth in the Notice of Violation, enclosed herewith as Appendix A. These violations have been categorized by severity level in accordance with the revised NRC Enforcement Policy (10 CFR 2, Appendix C) published in the Federal Register Notice (49 FR 8583) dated March 8, 1984. You are required to respond to this letter and in preparing your response, you should follow the instructions in Appendix A.

It appears that the only radioactive material which you possess currently, is in a device which can be possessed under a general license. In the case of a general license, leak tests and repair would have to be performed by a specific licensee, usually the manufacturer. If you desire to terminate your specific license and possess the material under a general license you should contact the manufacturer for specific information.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and your reply will be placed in the Public Document Room.

The responses directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

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Your cooperation with us in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:
John D. Kinneman

John D. Kinneman, Chief
Nuclear Materials Safety Section A,
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Enclosure: Appendix A, Notice of Violation

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