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Dear Dr. Grace:

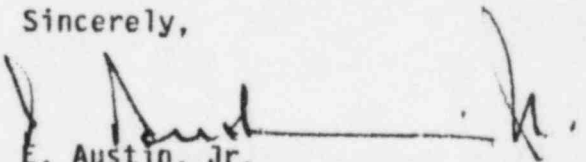
Before I specifically respond to the statements in your letter dated April 25, 1985, I would like to express my appreciation and commend Mr. Richard Woodruff of your staff for the knowledgeable and professional manner our Radiation Control Section was evaluated. As you are certainly aware, Mr. Woodruff has conducted an evaluation of this program on several occasions; and I believe that previous knowledge proves to be beneficial under these circumstances in that changes can be readily observed from review to review.

In direct response to your letter relative to the "Status of Regulations," which is a Category I Indicator, I have been informed by Radiation Control staff that those regulations requiring compatibility with the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission are currently in final draft form. It is also my understanding that Mr. Woodruff was shown those specific draft regulations during his visit.

There are numerous steps leading toward promulgation of the regulations, and I assure you that every effort will be made to achieve that goal as quickly as possible. For the first time in several years the Radiation Control Section is fully staffed and trained. Because of this it is now possible to adopt appropriate amendments in a timely manner to assure compatibility.

Mr. Donald Hughes will address the technical aspects of the review under separate letter, but I have been informed that our standard license "use" conditions have been changed to provide uniformity in the licensing process.

Should you need additional information, please feel free to contact me or staff of the Radiation Control Section.

Sincerely,

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