

February 19, 1997

Barbara K. Dankmyer, Resident Manager  
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Washington, PA 15301

SUBJECT: INSPECTION NO. 040-08794/97-001

Dear Ms. Dankmyer:

On February 11, 1997, Todd J. Jackson of this office conducted a safety inspection at York, Pennsylvania of activities authorized by the NRC license listed below. Mr. Jackson was accompanied on the inspection by Mr. James Kopenhaver of the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection. The inspection was an examination of your licensed activities as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Commission's regulations and the license conditions. The inspection consisted of observations by the inspector, interviews with personnel, and a selective examination of representative records. In addition, our inspection examined the activities covered in your correspondence dated November 7, 1996. The findings of the inspection were discussed with Mr. George Dawes, at the conclusion of the inspection.

Within the scope of this inspection, no violations were identified.

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 will be placed in the Public Document Room. No reply to this letter is required.

Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,

**Original Signed By:**  
Ronald R. Bellamy

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George Dawes, Radiation Safety Officer

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