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Newport News Industrial Division
ATTN: Mr. J. A. Palmer
President
700 Trimble Shoals Boulevard, Suite 108
Newport News, Virginia 23606-2544

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR MORE INFORMATION CONCERNING A MATERIALS LICENSE
APPLICATION (REFERENCE: 257242; 030-06601)

Dear Mr. Palmer:

This acknowledges receipt of your letter dated October 7, 1996, and confirms a telephone conversation of December 12, 1996, between Mr. C. Lee Trent and myself about the training and experience in radiation safety of Mr. L. S. Moran, your proposed Radiation Safety Officer.

As discussed, I have reviewed Mr. Moran's resume and am unable to determine the amount of formal training and on-the-job training he has in radiation safety. Also, attachment 1 of your letter contains an outline of radiation worker training but does not specify who gave the training, the duration of the training or the method used to evaluate the trainee's understanding of the material contained in the training class.

Since activation of your license could involve significant radiological hazards, we ask that you describe backup radiation safety available to you in the event of unforeseen radiation emergencies. Also, we propose to add a condition to your license requiring you to notify NRC's RII office, in writing, prior to commencing specific operations involving licensed materials.

Please provide a response to this letter or contact us by phone by January 17, 1997. My telephone number is 404/331-5617.

When responding, please reference Mail Control No. 257242 and provide two copies.

Sincerely,

Earl G. Wright
Senior License Reviewer
Division of Nuclear Materials Safety

cc: C. T. Hill, NNS
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