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Dear Mr. Standerfer:

Subject: Use of Reactor Building Polar Crane

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In a letter dated October 9, 1984, the staff confirmed that you agreed to keep the reactor building polar crane out of service until you received NRC approval. The staff has performed a review of the polar crane activities to date. Two NRC staff individuals also conducted a detailed physical inspection of the crane in an entry into the containment building on October 17, 1984. Our review to date including our inspection has given us reasonable assurance that the crane can now be used safely in a limited capacity.

You are hereby authorized to use the polar crane only with the five ton hoist attached. In reviewing the capability of the five ton hoist, it is our position that the main hook should be vertically positioned and the five ton hoist used for all vertical movements in the area above the reactor vessel. In other areas, the main hook and the five ton hoist can be used in unison. This operational restriction in no way relieves you of applicable Technical Specifications requirements concerning heavy load movements.

The staff will address full use of the polar crane at a later date pending your completion of the remaining open items identified in your report of October 8, 1984, and the walkdown inspection findings submitted to us on October 12, 1984.

Sincerely,

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