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Dr. Richard A. Swalin, Dean College of Engineering and Mines University of Arizona Tucson, Arizona 85721

Dear Dr. Swalin:

As you may know, the Department of Energy (DOE) is evaluating the radiological condition of sites that were utilized under the Manhattan Engineer District (MED) and the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) during the early years of nuclear development to determine whether they need remedial action and whether the Department has authority to perform such action. The University of Arizona was contacted through correspondence dated March 12, 1979, Dr. T. Triffet, then Dean of the College of Engineering at the University, from Dr. W. Mott of DOE, that the University was being investigated as one such site.

A review of historical records and of the results from a survey during a January 1978 visit has determined that the site was free from contamination and was in compliance with current DOE radiological guidelines and standards. This letter, along with the enclosed summary report and supporting information, represents the results of the Department's review to determine if the site contains residual radioactive contamination traceable to the actions conducted on behalf of the AEC. The report is provided to you as the representative of the site owner, for your information. On the basis of the review, the Department has determined that no potential exists for significant amounts of residual radioactive material derived from activities conducted for the MED to remain at the site. As a result, the site was eliminated from further consideration under the Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program (FUSRAP). This package was prepared as the final DOE action at this site under FUSRAP.

Documentation supporting the Department's decision will be available for public review at the Department's Public Reading Room located in Room 1E-190 of the Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C.

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If you have any questions regarding this decision or the availability of the material at the reading room, please contact Andrew Wallo of my staff at 301-353-5439.

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Sincerely,

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