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October 13, 1976

Mr. D. C. McCarter, Works Manager
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Post Office Box 91
Watervliet, New York 12189

Dear Mr. McCarter:

RADIOLOGICAL STATUS OF AL-TECH FACILITIES UTILIZED IN EARLY ATOMIC ENERGY
COMMISSION CONTRACT WORK

On August 19, 1976, representatives of the Energy Research and Development Administration visited the Al-Tech plant located on Spring Street Road in Watervliet, New York, to reevaluate the radiological status of the subject facilities. Rationale underlying this ERDA effort was indicated in the introductory letter to you dated August 5, 1976, from William T. Thornton of my staff.

Based on our finding that (1) radiation levels as measured in the plant are indistinguishable from naturally occurring background levels, (2) AEC contract work was on a very limited scale, and (3) only uranium in a relatively non-dispersable form was handled, it is concluded that no potential for a radiation-related health and safety problem exists in the subject facilities and that further formal radiation surveys are not warranted.

Enclosed for your files is a copy of our report documenting the findings during the August 19 visit. Also enclosed is a copy of the ERDA statement being issued to local press affirming our conclusions.

Your cooperation in this matter is very much appreciated.

Sincerely,

R. J. Hart
R. J. Hart
Manager

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Enclosures:
As stated.

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