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Department of Energy
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Gentlemen:

## UF<sub>6</sub> Out-Leakage Tests in K-33

Enclosed is information relating to the justification for and results of the UF $_6$  out-leakage tests in K-33 conducted between February 25, 1976 and August 17, 1976. There were fifty-seven test releases involving a total of 2032.5 grams of UF $_6$  released into the atmosphere. Environmental air samples were taken during the first seven days of test releases. However, due to the complexity of the sampling requirements and possible contributions from other sources such as the Fluorine Plant and the Cascade Pilot Plant, little can be done to determine the true environmental effect of the UF $_6$  test releases.

Very truly yours,

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