

SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT AND COMPLIANCE INSPECTION

1. LICENSEE/LOCATION INSPECTED:

PQ Corporation
1101 Quartz Road
Clarksville, IN 47129

REPORT NUMBER(S) 2016-001

2. NRC/REGIONAL OFFICE

Region III
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
2443 Warrenville Road, Suite 210
Lisle, IL 60532-4352

3. DOCKET NUMBER(S)

030-38447

4. LICENSE NUMBER(S)

13-32825-01

5. DATE(S) OF INSPECTION

October 19, 2016

LICENSEE:

The inspection was an examination of the activities conducted under your license as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) rules and regulations and the conditions of your license. The inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspector. The inspection findings are as follows:

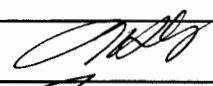

- ☒ 1. Based on the inspection findings, no violations were identified.
- ☐ 2. Previous violation(s) closed.
- ☐ 3. The violation(s), specifically described to you by the inspector as non-cited violations, are not being cited because they were self-identified, non-repetitive, and corrective action was or is being taken, and the remaining criteria in the NRC Enforcement Policy, to exercise discretion, were satisfied.

Non-cited violation(s) were discussed involving the following requirement(s):

- ☐ 4. During this inspection, certain of your activities, as described below and/or attached, were in violation of NRC requirements and are being cited in accordance with NRC Enforcement Policy. This form is a NOTICE OF VIOLATION, which may be subject to posting in accordance with 10 CFR 19.11.
(Violations and Corrective Actions)

Statement of Corrective Actions

I hereby state that, within 30 days, the actions described by me to the Inspector will be taken to correct the violations identified. This statement of corrective actions is made in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 2.201 (corrective steps already taken, corrective steps which will be taken, date when full compliance will be achieved). I understand that no further written response to NRC will be required, unless specifically requested.

TITLE	PRINTED NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE
LICENSEE'S REPRESENTATIVE			
NRC INSPECTOR	Luis Nieves Folch		11/3/14
BRANCH CHIEF	Aaron T. McCraw		11/4/16

Docket File Information**SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT AND COMPLIANCE INSPECTION**

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6. INSPECTION PROCEDURES USED

87124

7. INSPECTION FOCUS AREAS

03.01-03.07

SUPPLEMENTAL INSPECTION INFORMATION

1. PROGRAM CODE(S)

03120

2. PRIORITY

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3. LICENSEE CONTACT

Paige Simms, RSO

4. TELEPHONE NUMBER

(812) 288-7186

☒ Main Office InspectionNext Inspection Date: October 19, 2021☐ Field Office Inspection _____☐ Temporary Job Site Inspection _____**PROGRAM SCOPE**

This was an unannounced routine inspection of a silica manufacturing plant. The licensee possessed specifically licensed fixed gauges used in the production of silica products. The licensee are leak tested the gauges every six months in accordance with manufacturer's specifications. The licensee performed inventories and shutter checks at required frequencies. The manufacturer relocated or removed the gauges as necessary. The licensee did not perform any service or maintenance activities on its gauges; these services were performed by the manufacturer.

Performance Observations

The inspector toured the plant facility and observed the gauges in conjunction with the licensee's current inventory. The inspector evaluated the licensee's measures for materials security, hazard communication, and exposure control. The licensee adequately described proper lock-out and leak test procedures. The inspector determined through interviews with plant workers that under no circumstances would a vessel be entered without RSO supervision of lock-out/tag-out procedures.

No violations of NRC requirements were identified as a result of this inspection.

Nieves Folch, Luis A

From: Nieves Folch, Luis A
Sent: Friday, November 04, 2016 2:06 PM
To: 'Paige Simms (Jeff)'
Subject: NRC Inspection Report 591
Attachments: image2016-11-04-144124.pdf

Hi Ms. Simms

Per our talk, here is the 591 clear report for the inspection conducted on October 19, 2016, no further actions are needed on your part.

In accordance with Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS), accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

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