



**UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**
REGION IV
1600 E. LAMAR BLVD
ARLINGTON, TX 76011-4511

February 7, 2018

Lt. Col. Scott A. Nemmers
Department of the Air Force
Radioisotope Committee Secretariat
Air Force Medical Support Agency (AFMSA)
7700 Arlington Blvd, Ste 5151
Falls Church, VA 22042-5151

SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Dear Lt. Col. Nemmers:

On August 31, 2017, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) cited the Department of the Air Force for its failure to ensure that each portable gauge permittee used a minimum of two independent physical controls that formed tangible barriers to secure portable gauges from unauthorized removal, whenever portable gauges are not under the control and constant surveillance of the permittee. The NRC's Inspection Report 030-28641/2017-002 with enclosed Notice of Violation (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML17248A537) required you to respond in writing within 30 days. You responded by Memorandum dated September 28, 2017 (ML18036B067).

In late-September 2017, the NRC staff questioned whether the information provided in your Memorandum could be released to the public. In response, your staff conducted a sensitivity review of the information provided in the Memorandum. The information provided in the Memorandum was also reviewed by your public affairs organization. Your staff subsequently submitted a redacted version of the Memorandum to the NRC by email dated February 5, 2018. This submittal was placed into ADAMS as publicly available.

After reviewing the information provided in your responses to the Notice of Violation, we have concluded that your proposed corrective actions appear to adequately address the regulatory noncompliance as described in the Notice of Violation. We will review your corrective actions during future inspections to determine whether full compliance has been restored and will be maintained.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Agency Rules of Practice and Procedure," a copy of this letter will be made available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the NRC's ADAMS, accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

Should you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Dr. Robert J. Evans at 817-200-1234 or by e-mail at Robert.Evans@nrc.gov. If Dr. Evans is unavailable, please contact me at 817-200-1455 or by e-mail at Michael.Hay@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Michael C. Hay, Chief
Materials Licensing & Inspection Branch
Division of Nuclear Materials Safety

Docket: 030-28641
License: 42-23539-01AF

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF VIOLATION - DATED
FEBRUARY 7, 2018

DISTRIBUTION:

RIV Regional Administrator (Kriss.Kennedy@nrc.gov)
RIV Deputy Regional Administrator (Scott.Morris@nrc.gov)
DNMS Director (Mark.Shaffer@nrc.gov)
MLIB Branch Chief (Michael.Hay@nrc.gov)
RIV Senior Health Physicist (James.Thompson@nrc.gov)
RIV Senior Health Physicist (Robert.Evans@nrc.gov)

ADAMS ACCESSION NUMBER: ML18038B327

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SUNSI Review By: RJE	ADAMS: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Sensitive <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Sensitive	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Publicly Available <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Publicly Available	Keyword NRC-002
OFFICE	RIV:DNMS:FCDB	MLIB		
NAME	RJEvans	MCHay		
SIGNATURE	/RA/	/RA/		
DATE	02/07/18	02/07/18		

OFFICIAL RECORD COPY