

PETROTOMICS COMPANY

November 6, 1962

U. S. Atomic Energy Commission
Division of Compliance
Region 4
P. O. Box 15266
Denver 15, Colorado

Attention: Mr. George H. Smith

Dear Mr. Smith:

I wish to confirm our telephone call of Sunday, November 4, 1962, reporting the explosion of the motor control center at the Petrotomics operation.

As previously stated, no source material was involved, and the explosion, as near as we have been able to determine, occurred because of gas seepage into the number two motor control center, where the gas was ignited when one of the switches was operated. There were no injuries, and the damage is estimated at approximately \$8,000.

We expect to be in operation again by Wednesday, November 7, by using some emergency repair methods.

There have been no news items submitted to the newspapers, and none have solicited. However, if there is to be a newspaper report, the incident will be reported as being an electrical explosion only.

Very truly yours,

PETROTOMICS COMPANY

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PDR FOIA
BURR85-229 PDR

By G. K. Coates

GK:afn
cc: N. A. Grant

MEMO ROUTE SLIP Form AEC-98 (Rev. May 14, 1947)		See me about this. Note and return.	For concurrence For signature.	For action. For information.
TO (Name and unit) R. Lowenstein	INITIALS DATE	REMARKS RE: PETROTOMICS COMPANY, CASPER, WYOMING SOURCE MATERIAL LICENSE NO. SUA-551		
TO (Name and unit) L. E. Johnson	INITIALS SE 11/15 DATE	REMARKS Attached: Copy of Memo 11/8/62 from Region IV, CO to CO, HQ, with copy ltr 11/6/62 from subject licensee.		
TO (Name and unit) D. A. Nussbaumer DF 11/16	INITIALS DATE	REMARKS		
FROM (Name and unit) R. G. Page Enforcement Br.	REMARKS			
PHONE NO. 3668	DATE 11-14-62			

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MEMO ROUTE SLIP Form AEC-98 (Rev. May 14, 1947)		See me about this. Note and return.	For concurrence For signature.	For action. For information.
TO (Name and unit) Eber R. Price, L&R	INITIALS DATE	REMARKS RE: PETROTOMICS COMPANY, SHIRLEY BASIN, WYOMING; LICENSE NO. SUA-551 - EXPLOSION		
TO (Name and unit)	INITIALS DATE	REMARKS On 11/6/62, we transmitted to L&R a copy of a TWX dated 11/5/62, in which Region IV, Division of Compliance, reported an explosion at subject licensee's facility. Attached is a copy of a memo dated 11/8/62, by which Region IV transmitted the licensee's report of this occurrence. A copy of the report, dated 11/6/62, is attached. When additional information is available, we shall inform you.		
TO (Name and unit)	INITIALS DATE	REMARKS Attachment: OS:IV w/cpy rpt dtd 11/8/62 fm		
FROM (Name and unit) Leo Dubinski, CO	REMARKS cc: 1. I. Walker, CO:IV, w/o attach. 2. K. Shapar, OGC, w/attach. 3. Fouchard, PI, w/attach. 4. H. Woodruff, OS, w/attach.			
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