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Re: License No.: 13-18685-01
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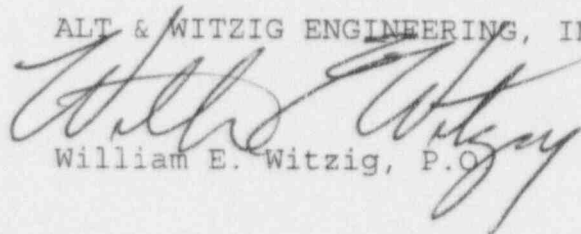
Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our reply to the "Notice of Violation" letter which was dated November 25, 1996, from your Region III Office.

If you have any questions regarding the attached "Reply to Notice of Violation, please contact us at your convenience.

Very truly yours,

ALT & WITZIG ENGINEERING, INC.



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REPLY TO
NOTICE OF VIOLATION

1. Apparent Violation: Licensee failed to examine or test a nuclear density transportation case. (crack in top of case)

Reason for Violation: Our internal safety program requires that each transportation case be inspected for major defects by our designated auditors. Defects are often somewhat subjective. At the time of your inspection you considered this to be a "major" crack. Either our designated auditor did not believe it was that damaged, or the crack became greater since our July inspection of this particular case.

Corrective Steps: This gauge & case were immediately designated as "out of Service". A new case has been purchased for this gauge.

Date of Full Compliance: September 17, 1996

2. Apparent Violation: As of November 1, 1996, licensee did not submit gauge locations and diagrams for satellite / temporary offices.

Basis for Disputing Violation: The above statement is incorrect. On two occasions, February 22, 1995, and on September 11, 1995, Diagrams of our current satellite offices were submitted to your Region III office.

Also, we had been informed during our 1990 renewal of license procedure that by inserting the statement "Temporary job sites of the licensee in the United States", we were in compliance at all existing satellite offices or other "new locations" without change in license.

Corrective Steps: As stated above we have previously submitted diagrams to your Region III office in February and again in September 1995.

Date of Compliance: We were in full compliance at the time of your inspection.

3. Apparent Violation: Licensee failed to audit all gauge users in Evansville Office within every six-month period.

Reason for Violation: Our designated gauge auditor failed to perform proper "spot check" audits on his current users in our Evansville Office. Actually only one user (Ray Schloss) was a designated user in Evansville during March / April 1996, when the user audits should have taken place.

Corrective Steps: All current users have been re-audited to assure compliance with NRC and Alt & Witzig. These re-audits were performed during September 1996.

In order to assure that audits of users are kept current the RSO will not issue the next quarter dosimeter badges to users which have not been audited in the last 6 months.

Date of Full Compliance: All user audits were completed for current users by September 27, 1996. Thus on that date we were in complete compliance.

4. Apparent Violation: Licensee failed to perform recent survey to check the radiation detection limits at storage room in Lafayette office.

Reason for Violation: RSO did not believe there was a potential hazard / incident or area which needed detection with our radiation detection instrument. In all previous surveys with our detection instrument, at our main office and various satellite offices, only minimal detection limits were obtained. We had no reason to believe that our NRC controlled gauges would be causing high readings at this location.

During the on-site visit and during the exit interview, you had stated that the readings were high but that the allowable limits were never exceeded.

During your on-site inspection several non-regulated instruments (SEAMAN testing instruments) were present in our NRC gauge storage area. It was determined that by removing these instruments the radiation readings dropped considerably.

We have therefore removed these non-regulated instruments to another location.

Corrective Steps: On three different days in the last two months we have performed a survey at our Lafayette office with our Radiation Detection Instrument.

At all three times our storage room area was well with acceptable limits.

Also we have recently dry walled and provided changes to this area to assist in lowering the radiation which may be occurring in this area.

Date of Full compliance: Alt & Witzig was in compliance with regards to surveys in September, 1996 and will continue to be.