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September 13, 1996

United States Nuclear
Regulatory Commission
Region III
801 Warrenville Road
Lisle, Illinois 60532-4351
Attn: B.J. Holt

Re: Stolen Nuclear Gauge
Indianapolis, Indiana
License No: 13-18685-1

Gentleman;

03014041

We are submitting additional information regarding the theft of the stolen gauge on August 28, 1996.

We previously submitted information in a letter dated August 29, 1996, to Mr. Wiedeman. Enclosed are copies of the following:

Copy of Reward flier sent to local disposal contractors and posted in nearby convenience stores.

Copy of press releases. (The news bulletin was on radio at least 4 times on August 29, 1996.

Copy of police report.

As of today, we have not located or heard any information regarding the whereabouts of this gauge. I will keep you advised of any further information as we continue to proceed in recovering this gauge.

Very truly yours,

ALT & WITZIG ENGINEERING, INC.


William E. Witzig

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Enclosure

WEW:slm

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REWARD



A reward is being offered for the return of this instrument. It was stolen from a pickup truck in the area of 61st Street and Allisonville Road, during the evening of August 28, 1996. This instrument contains a radioactive source. A reward is being offered for the return of this instrument.

NO QUESTIONS ASKED.

Please call (317)-870-0301.

TO: Indianapolis Star/News - Pam Klein

FROM: Philip Dilk

DATE: 8/30/96

COMMENTS:

During the evening of Wednesday, August 28, or early morning of Thursday, August 29, 1996, a nuclear soil density gauge was stolen from one of our company pick-up trucks while it was parked in the area of 61st St. and Allisonville road. This instrument is used for testing the density of soil. The instrument contains radioactive material and is housed in an orange plastic case approximately 2'X2'X3' with "Radioactive" labels. The instrument itself has an orange metal housing approximately 8"X12"X8" with a black handle protruding from the top. The nuclear gauge contains a low level radioactive source licensed by the N.R.C.

While discussing the press release with the N.R.C., they informed us that the best policy is to not use the name of our company, rather refer to us as a "local engineering firm". We operate several of these gauges and they are at times in possession of our employees who drive company identified pick-up trucks. The N.R.C. wants to avoid drawing attention to these gauges, and the companies who operate them.

If the instrument is found, please call the Marion County Sheriff's Office. We are offering a reward for its return, NO QUESTIONS ASKED.

TO: WIBC RADIO

FROM: Philip Dilk

DATE: 8/30/96

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RECEIVED COPY
INCIDENT: LARC-OVR 200-OTHER RESID-OUTSIDE PREM
LOCATION: 06038 N ALLISONVILLE RD
OCCURED: 08-29-96 TIME UNKNOWN
NOTIFIED: 08-29-96 0942 HRS BY: RADIO RUN INVEST 09-29-96 0917 HRS
ARRESTS: 00 INJURED: 00 DEAD: 00 VEH TOWED: 00 BEAT: WAS BEAT: 15

PERSON 01
COMPLAINANT

ADDRESS: [REDACTED]
BUSINESS PHONE: 875-7040
HOME-PHONE: [REDACTED]

BUSINESS 02
VICTIM-BUSINESS
ALT AND WITZIG ENGINEERING
ADDRESS: 00405 W 90TH ST INDIAN IN 46268
BUSINESS PHONE: 875-7040

PROPERTY:

STOLEN 001 NUCLEAR DENSITY GAUG CATEGORY: MISCELLANEOUS

-CONTINUED-

96-47094A MARION COUNTY SHERIFF 08-29-96 PGE 2

BRAND: CPN SERIAL: 601030007
VALUE: \$5000

STOLEN 001 AIR METER CATEGORY: MISCELLANEOUS
BRAND: WATTS
VALUE: \$700

NARRATIVE:

ON 8-29-96 AT APPROX 559 AM, MR HOWARD S VANDICKEL, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] REPORTED A THEFT. THE INCIDENT OCCURRED OVERNIGHT WITH THE THEFT OF A NUCLEAR DENSITY GAUGE, VALUED AT \$5000 AND AN AIR METER VALUED AT \$700 WERE TAKEN FROM THE REAR OF HIS COMPANY TRUCK PARKED IN THE DRIVEWAY. THE EQUIPMENT HAD BEEN SECURED BY A CHAIN AND LOCK.

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08-29-96 1300 HRS - RUSSELL, LAURA K R0639 TAPE:1

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