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ATTENTION: John D. Kinneman, Chief  
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Gentlemen:

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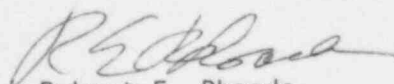
This letter is in reply to your request for an explanation of the two violations outlined by Mr. Ladum from your office.

During this past year, Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. decided to close the Trexlertown manufacturing facility and consolidate manufacturing to the Wilkes-Barre facility only. This decision required a complete reorganization of personnel structure.

Personnel changes included Edward Tyminski and William Seabridge. Edward Tyminski was moved to vendor surveillance and William Seabridge resigned from Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. Both of these men were radiation safety officers. R. E. Rhoads, the writer, also a plant radiation safety officer was reassigned from the Trexlertown plant radiation safety office to the Wilkes-Barre plant radiation safety office. To add to the problem, I took sick and was absent from the plant for eight weeks. At the time of my absence, Frank Butz, a qualified supervisor and radiographer was in control. Due to the lack of personnel and supervision, the film badges were not processed on time for the month of June 1985. To curtail any further violation of this type, a Quality Control clerk was hired and assigned to handle the film badge process each month.

The second violation was due to the fact we did not have any training sessions during the year. It is now my responsibility at the Wilkes-Barre Plant to be sure that these sessions take place. At this point, we had a training session conducted on October 16, 1985, and expect to have an additional training session in January 1986.

Sincerely yours,



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