



UNITED STATES  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
REGION IV  
1600 EAST LAMAR BOULEVARD  
ARLINGTON, TEXAS 76011-4511

April 04, 2024

EA-23-120

Shahe Bagerdjian, Chief Executive Officer  
International Isotopes, Inc.  
4137 Commerce Circle  
Idaho Falls, ID 83401

SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL ISOTOPES, INC. - NOTICE OF VIOLATION AND PROPOSED IMPOSITION OF CIVIL PENALTY - \$45,000, EXERCISE OF ENFORCEMENT DISCRETION, AND NRC INSPECTION REPORT 030-35486/2023-003

Dear Shahe Bagerdjian:

This letter refers to the limited scope in-office inspection, conducted from August 15 - 21, 2023, of licensed activities performed by International Isotopes, Inc. The purpose of the inspection was to examine activities conducted under your license as they relate to public health and safety and to confirm compliance with the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) rules and regulations and with the conditions of your license. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of an examination of selected records and interviews with the radiation safety officer. A final exit meeting was conducted with you and John Miller, Radiation Safety Officer, on December 4, 2023. Details of the inspection and the apparent violations were provided to you in the subject inspection report, dated December 4, 2023, Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML23299A275.

On January 30, 2024, a predecisional enforcement conference (PEC) was conducted at the NRC Region IV office with you and John Miller to discuss the apparent violations, their significance, their causes, and your corrective actions.

Based on the information developed during the inspection and the information you provided during the PEC, including your PEC presentation slides (ML24017A320), and the additional information you provided on February 14 and March 15, 2024 (ML24071A101 and ML24074A187 respectively), the NRC determined two violations of NRC requirements occurred. The violations are cited in Enclosure 1, "Notice of Violation and Proposed Imposition of Civil Penalty" (Notice), and the circumstances surrounding the violations are described in detail in the subject inspection report. The violations involved the failure to import special nuclear materials in accordance with NRC requirements for a general license pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Part 110, and the failure to receive and transfer special nuclear material in accordance with an authorization in a specific license issued by the NRC pursuant to 10 CFR Part 70.

The NRC considers the violations to be significant because the improper import and failure to apply for and receive NRC approval to receive and transfer plutonium-239 calibration and reference sources denies the NRC the opportunity to perform the necessary oversight to ensure the material's safe use. Therefore, these violations are categorized collectively in accordance with the NRC Enforcement Policy as a Severity Level III problem. The Enforcement Policy can be found on the NRC's website at <http://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/regulatory/enforcement/enforce-pol.html>.

Based on the nature of these violations and our understanding of your current business practices, the NRC re-evaluated the International Isotopes Inc., license category for civil penalty enforcement purposes. The NRC determined that International Isotopes Inc., should be considered an industrial processor, a large firm engaged in the manufacturing or distribution of source or byproduct material. Therefore, in accordance with the NRC Enforcement Policy Section 8, Table A, Item c, a base civil penalty in the amount of \$45,000 is considered for a Severity Level III problem.

Because your facility has been the subject of escalated enforcement actions within the last two inspections (refer to letter dated January 25, 2024, ML24004A223), the NRC considered whether credit was warranted for *Identification* and *Corrective Action* in accordance with the civil penalty assessment process in Section 2.3.4 of the Enforcement Policy. The NRC determined that *Identification* credit is warranted because your staff's inquiry as to the isotopes authorized by your license prompted discovery that you improperly imported, received, and transferred special nuclear material. The NRC has determined that *Corrective Action* credit is warranted based on the prompt and comprehensive corrective actions you implemented. Your corrective actions to address the violations are documented in NRC Inspection Report 030-35486/2023-003, in your PEC presentation slides, and the additional information you provided on February 14 and March 15, 2024. The normal application of the civil penalty assessment process does not result in a civil penalty for this enforcement action.

However, in recognition of your recent enforcement history that includes escalated enforcement actions related to: (1) improper shipments of byproduct material to embargoed countries (ML20246M272), (2) procedural failures and a lack of oversight by the Radiation Safety Committee (RSC), leading to a contamination event at the Harborview Medical Center in Seattle on May 2, 2019 (ML20294A080), and (3) the failure to manufacture and distribute a sealed source in accordance with the Sealed Source and Device Registry certificate (ML24004A223), the NRC determined that additional action is needed to emphasize the importance of compliance with NRC requirements. Specifically, the NRC determined that these three escalated enforcement actions share similar causal factors with the current violations. These causal factors include a lack of adequate procedures to safely accomplish tasks, inadequate oversight by the RSC, and the misunderstanding of NRC requirements.

Therefore, to emphasize the importance of complying with regulations and the conditions of your license; the need to maintain appropriate procedures and engagement with the RSC to ensure compliance with NRC requirements; and in recognition of your particularly poor performance, I have been authorized, after consultation with the Director, Office of Enforcement, to exercise enforcement discretion, in accordance with Section 3.6 of the NRC Enforcement Policy, and issue the enclosed Notice of Violation and Proposed Imposition of Civil Penalty in the amount of \$45,000 for the Severity Level III problem. In addition, issuance of this Notice constitutes an escalated enforcement action that may subject you to increased inspection effort.

You may choose to pay the proposed civil penalty by submitting your payment with the invoice enclosed to this letter (Enclosure 2), to the following address:

Office of the Chief Financial Officer  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
P.O. Box 979051  
St. Louis, MO 63197

In addition, you may pay the proposed civil penalty in accordance with NUREG/BR-0254 "Payment Methods," Enclosure 3 (ML23269A212). When using NUREG/BR-0254 to pay the civil penalty, the bill number, EA-23-120, should be used as the "enforcement action identifier" when submitting your payment through one of the approved methods listed in the brochure. The NRC may consider a request for additional time to pay the proposed civil penalty, including the option to enter into an installment agreement, if payment of the civil penalty as a lump sum in the required timeframe would pose a financial hardship. To request additional time to pay, you must submit a written request, with appropriate justification explaining your financial hardship, to [NRCCollections.Resource@nrc.gov](mailto:NRCCollections.Resource@nrc.gov). All requests should be submitted in sufficient time to allow the NRC the ability to review your request for additional time to pay before the 30-day payment period expires.

If you disagree with this enforcement sanction, you may deny the violation, as described in Enclosure 1, or you may request alternative dispute resolution (ADR) mediation with the NRC to resolve this issue. Alternative dispute resolution is a general term encompassing various techniques for resolving conflicts using a neutral third party. The technique that the NRC has decided to employ is mediation. Mediation is a voluntary, informal process in which a neutral mediator works with parties to help them reach resolution. If the parties agree to use ADR, they select a mutually agreeable neutral mediator who has no stake in the outcome and no power to make decisions. Mediation gives parties an opportunity to discuss issues, clear up misunderstandings, be creative, find areas of agreement, and reach a final resolution of the issue.

Additional information concerning the NRC's ADR program can be found at <http://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/regulatory/enforcement/adr.html>. The Institute on Conflict Resolution at Cornell University has agreed to facilitate the NRC's ADR program as a neutral third party. If you are interested in pursuing this issue through the ADR program, please contact: (1) the Institute on Conflict Resolution at 877-733-9415; and (2) Lizette Roldán-Otero at 817-200-1455 within 10 days of the date of this letter. Your submitted signed agreement to mediate using the NRC ADR program will stay the 30-day period for payment of the civil penalty, as identified in Enclosure 1, until the ADR process is completed.

You are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the Enclosure 1 when preparing your response. While the NRC has sufficient information regarding your corrective actions taken prior to the January 30, 2024, PEC, you and your staff have since made a number of commitments regarding additional planned corrective actions. Your written response should provide specific details on the commitments made at the PEC, and in your February 14 and March 15, 2024, correspondence. If you have additional information that you believe the NRC should consider, you may provide it in your response to the Notice. The NRC will use your response, in part, to determine whether further enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice and Procedure," a copy of this letter, its enclosures, and your response will be made available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room and from the NRC's ADAMS, accessible from the NRC website at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To the extent possible, your response should not include any personal privacy or proprietary information so that it can be made available to the public without redaction. The NRC also includes significant enforcement actions on its website at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/enforcement/actions>.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Neil O'Keefe of my staff at 817-200-1156.

Sincerely,



Signed by Monninger, John  
on 04/04/24

John D. Monninger  
Regional Administrator

Docket No. 030-35486  
License No. 11-27680-01MD

Enclosures:

1. Notice of Violation and Proposed Imposition of Civil Penalty
2. Civil Penalty Invoice
3. NUREG/BR-0254 "Payment Methods"

cc w/Enclosures:

Rikki Waller  
Radiation Control Program Director  
Idaho Department of Health & Welfare

Landry Austin  
State Liaison Officer  
Idaho Department of Environmental Quality

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NOTICE OF VIOLATION  
AND  
PROPOSED IMPOSITION OF CIVIL PENALTY

International Isotopes, Inc.  
Idaho Falls, Idaho

Docket No. 030-35486  
License No. 11-27680-01MD  
EA-23-120

During an NRC inspection conducted from August 15 - 21, 2023, two violations of NRC requirements were identified. In accordance with the NRC Enforcement Policy, the NRC proposes to impose a civil penalty pursuant to Section 234 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (Act), 42 U.S.C. 2282, and 10 CFR 2.205. The violations and associated civil penalty are set forth below:

- A. 10 CFR 110.5 states, in part, that no person may import any nuclear material listed in 10 CFR 110.9a unless authorized by a general or specific license issued under 10 CFR Part 110.

10 CFR 110.9a(b) includes special nuclear material.

10 CFR 110.20(a) states, in part, that a person may use an NRC general license as an authority to export or import nuclear equipment or material if the nuclear equipment or material to be exported or imported is covered by the NRC general licenses described in 10 CFR 110.21 through 110.27.

10 CFR 110.27(a) states, in part, that a general license is issued to any person to import special nuclear material if the U.S. consignee is authorized to receive and possess the material under the relevant NRC or Agreement State regulations.

Contrary to the above, between March 2 and September 15, 2022, International Isotopes Inc., imported special nuclear material without authorization by a general license issued under 10 CFR Part 110. Specifically, International Isotopes Inc., imported eight plutonium-239 calibration and reference sources ranging in activity from 0.003 microcuries to 0.040 microcuries.

- B. 10 CFR 70.3, states, in part, that no person subject to the regulations in 10 CFR Part 70 shall receive or transfer special nuclear material except as authorized in a license issued by the Commission pursuant to these regulations.

Contrary to the above, between March 2 and September 15, 2022, International Isotopes Inc., received and transferred special nuclear material without an authorization in a license issued by the Commission pursuant to 10 CFR Part 70. Specifically, International Isotopes Inc., without authorization under its NRC License Number 11-27680-01MD, received eight plutonium-239 calibration and reference sources ranging in activity from 0.003 microcuries to 0.040 microcuries and then transferred those same eight sources to a government agency.

This is a Severity Level III problem (Enforcement Policy Sections 6.15(c)(4) and 6.3(c)(11)(c)).  
Civil Penalty - \$45,000. EA-23-120

Pursuant to 10 CFR 2.201, International Isotopes, Inc., is hereby required to submit a written statement or explanation to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, DC 20555-0001, with a copy to the Regional Administrator, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Region IV, 1600 East Lamar Blvd., Arlington, Texas 76011-4511, and email it to [R4Enforcement@nrc.gov](mailto:R4Enforcement@nrc.gov) within 30 days of the date of the letter transmitting this Notice of Violation and Proposed Imposition of Civil Penalties (Notice). This reply should be clearly marked as a "Reply to a Notice of Violation and Proposed Imposition of Civil Penalty, EA-23-120" and should include for each violation: (1) the reason for the violation, or, if contested, the basis for disputing the violation or severity level; (2) the corrective steps that have been taken and the results achieved; (3) the corrective steps that will be taken; and (4) the date when full compliance was or will be achieved.

Your response may reference or include previous docketed correspondence if the correspondence adequately addresses the required response. If an adequate reply is not received within the time specified in this Notice, the NRC may issue an order or a demand for information requiring you to explain why your license should not be modified, suspended, or revoked, or why such other action as may be proper should not be taken. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

You may pay the civil penalty proposed above through one of the following two methods:

1. Submit the payment with the enclosed invoice for Civil Penalty EA-23-120, issued to International Isotopes, Inc., to the following address:

Office of the Chief Financial Officer  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
P.O. Box 979051  
St. Louis, MO 63197

OR

2. Submit the payment in accordance with NUREG/BR-0254.

You may protest the proposed imposition of the civil penalty in whole or in part, by a written answer addressed to the Director, Office of Enforcement, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, within 30 days of the date of this Notice. Should you elect to file an answer in accordance with 10 CFR 2.205 protesting the civil penalty, in whole or in part, such answer should be clearly marked as an "Answer to a Notice of Violation, EA-23-120," and may: (1) deny the violations listed in this Notice, in whole or in part; (2) demonstrate extenuating circumstances; (3) show error in this Notice; or (4) show other reasons why the penalty should not be imposed. In addition to protesting the civil penalty in whole or in part, such answer may request remission or mitigation of the penalty. Should you fail to answer or pay the civil penalty within 30 days of the date of this Notice, the NRC may issue an order imposing the civil penalty.

In requesting mitigation of the proposed penalty, the response should address the factors addressed in Section 2.3.4 of the Enforcement Policy. Any written answer addressing these factors pursuant to 10 CFR 2.205 should be set forth separately from the statement or explanation provided pursuant to 10 CFR 2.201 but may incorporate parts of the 10 CFR 2.201 reply by specific reference (e.g., citing page and paragraph numbers) to avoid repetition. The attention of the licensee is directed to the other provisions of 10 CFR 2.205 regarding the procedure for imposing the civil penalty.

Upon failure to pay any civil penalty which subsequently has been determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of 10 CFR 2.205 to be due, this matter may be referred to the Attorney General, and the penalty, unless compromised, remitted, or mitigated, may be collected by civil action pursuant to Section 234c of the Act, 42 U.S.C. 2282c.

The responses noted above, i.e., “Reply to a Notice of Violation, EA-23-120” and “Answer to a Notice of Violation, EA-23-120,” should be addressed to: Director, Office of Enforcement, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852-2738, with a copy to the Regional Administrator, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Region IV, 1600 East Lamar Blvd., Arlington, Texas 76011-4511, and a copy to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, DC 20555-0001, and email it to [R4Enforcement@nrc.gov](mailto:R4Enforcement@nrc.gov).

Your response will be made available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or in the NRC’s Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS), accessible from the NRC website at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. Therefore, to the extent possible, the response should not include any personal privacy or proprietary information so that it can be made available to the public without redaction.

If personal privacy or proprietary information is necessary to provide an acceptable response, then please provide a bracketed copy of your response that identifies the information that should be protected and a redacted copy of your response that deletes such information. If you request that such material is withheld from public disclosure, you must specifically identify the portions of your response that you seek to have withheld and provide in detail the bases for your claim (e.g., explain why the disclosure of information will create an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy or provide the information required by 10 CFR 2.390(b) to support a request for withholding confidential commercial or financial information).

In accordance with 10 CFR 19.11, you are required to post this Notice within 2 working days of receipt.

Dated this 4th day of April 2024

## Civil Penalty Invoice



04/04/2024

**Address/Customer Information**

INTERNATIONAL ISOTOPES  
4137 COMMERCE CIRCLE  
IDAHO FALLS, ID 83401

**Customer Codes**

Account Code: L00000097/10

**Bill Information**

Bill Number: EA-23-120  
Amount Due: \$45,000.00  
Due Date: 05/04/2024

**Contact Us**

Phone Number: 301-415-7554  
Fax Number: 301-415-4135  
Email Address: Fees.Resource@nrc.gov

**Remit to Address**

Office of the Chief Financial Officer  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
P.O. Box 979051  
St. Louis, MO 63197

**Bill Summary**

Initial Charges	\$45,000.00
Discount	0.00
Surcharge	0.00
Interest Charges	0.00
Penalty Charges	0.00
Admin Charges	0.00
Bill Amount	\$45,000.00
Collected	0.00
Applied Credit	0.00
Adjustments	0.00
Amount Due	\$45,000.00

**Credit Summary**

Applied Credit	\$0.00
Unapplied Credit	0.00
Credit Total	\$0.00

**Comments:**

For questions, contact (301) 415-7554 or by email at Fees.Resource@nrc.gov. For NRC debt collection procedures, including interest and penalty provisions, see 31 U.S.C. 3717, 4 CFR 101-105, AND 10 CFR 15. For questions, contact the NRC Financial Services and Operations Branch at (301) 415-7554 or by email at Fees.Resource@nrc.gov. For NRC debt collection procedures, including interest and penalty provisions, see 31 U.S.C. 3717, 4 CFR 101-105 and 10 CFR 15.

If this invoice is related to an Order Imposing a Civil Penalty, International Isotopes, Inc. is required to pay the Civil Penalty within 30 days of the Order date. If payment is in response to a Notice of Violation and Proposed Imposition of a Civil Penalty, please follow the instructions in the Notice. The NRC may consider a request for additional time to pay the Civil Penalty, including the option to enter into an installment agreement, if appropriate. All requests for additional time to pay an invoice must be submitted in writing, with appropriate justification, to NRCCollections.Resource@nrc.gov, and should be submitted sufficiently ahead of time to allow the NRC time to review the request for additional time to pay within the 30-day payment period. This Invoice is related to the Civil Penalty proposed or imposed under EA-23-120 issued to International Isotopes, Inc., Inc. Please include this reference number on your payment method (see attached Payments Methods Brochure).

**Customer Information**

L00000097/10  
INTERNATIONAL ISOTOPES  
4137 COMMERCE CIRCLE  
IDAHO FALLS, ID 83401

**Change of Address:**

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**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Remittance Information**

Office of the Chief Financial Officer  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
P.O. Box 979051  
St. Louis, MO 63197

**This Payment References the following Bill:**

EA-23-120

**Outstanding Amount Due:** \$45,000.00

**Amount Enclosed:** \_\_\_\_\_

NUREG/BR-0254  
Payment Methods

## QUESTIONS?

If you have questions, please visit <https://www.nrc.gov> and search for "License Fees."

Questions may also be directed to the NRC Accounts Receivable Help Desk by sending an e-mail to [nrc@fiscal.treasury.gov](mailto:nrc@fiscal.treasury.gov), by calling (301) 415-7554, or by writing to the address below:

U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
OCFO/DOC/LAFBB  
Washington, DC 20555-0001



# Payment Methods

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PH (301) 415-7554



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October 2023

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**Paperwork Reduction Act** This NUREG/BR provides guidance for completing the voluntary information collection in NRC Form 629. The estimated burden per response for completing NRC Form 629 is 10 minutes. This information collection was approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), approval numbers 3150-0190. Send comments regarding this information collection to the FOIA, Library, and Information Collections Branch (T6-A10M), U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555 0001, or by e mail to [Infocollects.Resource@nrc.gov](mailto:Infocollects.Resource@nrc.gov), and to the OMB reviewer at: OMB Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (3150-0190 ), Attn: Desk Officer for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, 725 17th Street, NW Washington, DC 20503; e mail: [oira\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oira_submission@omb.eop.gov).

**Public Protection Notification** The NRC may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the document requesting or requiring the collection displays a currently valid OMB control number.

The NRC accepts the methods described below.

## PAYMENT BY AUTOMATED CLEARINGHOUSE

To pay by Automated Clearinghouse/Electronic Data Interchange (ACH/EDI), provide a copy of NRC Form 628 to your financial institution. You may obtain a copy of NRC Form 628 from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov> by searching for "NRC Form 628." You can also obtain a form by calling the NRC Accounts Receivable Help Desk at (301) 415-7554.

## PAYMENT BY CREDIT CARD

The NRC currently accepts credit card payments of up to \$24,999.99. For payment by credit card, go to [Pay.gov](http://Pay.gov), search for "U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Fees," and enter the required information.



You may also mail or fax NRC Form 629 following the directions on the form. To obtain a copy of NRC

Form 629, go to <http://www.nrc.gov> and search for "NRC Form 629" or call the NRC Accounts Receivable Help Desk at (301) 415-7554.

## PAYMENT BY DIGITAL WALLET

The NRC currently accepts payments of up to \$10,000.00. For payment by PayPal and Amazon Pay, go to [Pay.gov](http://Pay.gov), search for "U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Fees," and enter the required information.



The NRC can receive funds through the U.S. Department of the Treasury (Treasury) Fedwire Deposit System. The basic wire message format below complies with the Federal Reserve Board's standard structured third-party format for all electronic funds transfer (EFT) messages.

See the sample EFT message to Treasury below. Each numbered field is described below.

The diagram shows a wire transfer message format with the following fields and their corresponding numbers:

- 1: TO (021030004)
- 2: FROM
- 3: ORDERING BANK AND RELATED DATA
- 4: REF
- 5: AMOUNT
- 6: TREAS NYC/CTR
- 7: BNF=/AC-31000001 OBI=
- 8: (End of line)
- 9: (End of line)
- 10: (End of line)

- 1 RECEIVER-DFI#**—Treasury's ABA number for deposit messages is 021030004.
- 2 TYPE-SUBTYPE-CD**—The sending bank will provide the type and subtype code.
- 3 SENDER-DFI#**—The sending bank will provide this number.
- 4 SENDER-REF#**—The sending bank will insert this 16-character reference number at its discretion.
- 5 AMOUNT**—The transfer amount must be punctuated with commas and a decimal point; use of the "\$" is optional. The depositor will provide this item.
- 6 SENDER-DFI-NAME**—The Federal Reserve Bank will automatically insert this information.
- 7 RECEIVER-DFI-NAME**—Treasury's name for deposit messages is "TREAS NYC". The sending bank will enter this name.
- 8 PRODUCT CODE**—A product code of "CTR" for customer transfer should be the first item in the receiver text field. Other values may be entered, if appropriate, using the ABA's options. A slash must be entered after the product code.
- 9 AGENCY LOCATION CODE (ALC)**—THIS ITEM IS OF CRITICAL IMPORTANCE. IT MUST APPEAR ON THE FUNDS TRANSFER DEPOSIT MESSAGE IN THE PRECISE MANNER AS STATED TO ALLOW FOR THE AUTOMATED PROCESSING AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE FUNDS TRANSFER MESSAGE TO THE AGENCY LOCATION CODE OF THE APPROPRIATE AGENCY. The ALC identification sequence can, if necessary, begin on one line and end on the next line; however, the field tag "BNF=" must be on one line and cannot contain any spaces. The NRC's eight-digit ALC is: BNF=/AC-31000001
- 10 THIRD-PARTY INFORMATION**—The Originator to Beneficiary Information (OBI) field tag "OBI=" signifies the beginning of the free-form third-party text. All other identifying information intended to enable the NRC to identify the deposit—for example, NRC annual fee invoice number, description of fee, 10 CFR Part 171 annual fee, and licensee name—should be placed in this field.

The optimum format for fields 7, 8, 9, and 10 using an eight-digit ALC is as follows:

TREAS NYC/CTR/BNF=/AC-31000001 OBI=

The optimum format, shown above, will allow 219 character positions of information following the "OBI=" indicator.

If the licensee's bank is not a member of the Federal Reserve System, the nonmember bank must transfer the necessary information and funds to a member bank, which then must transfer the information and funds to the local Federal Reserve Bank.

For a transfer of funds from local Federal Reserve Banks to be recorded on the same day, the transfer must be received at the New York Federal Reserve Bank by 4 p.m., EST. Otherwise, the deposit will be recorded on the next workday.

## PAYMENT BY CHECK

Checks should be made payable to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission with the invoice number, Enforcement Action number, or other information that identifies the payment written on the check. Mail the check to the following address:

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
U.S. Bank  
P.O. Box 979051  
St. Louis, MO 63197-9000

FedEx or overnight mailings must be delivered to the following address:

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
U.S. Bank  
SL-MO-R1GL  
3180 Rider Trail S.  
Earth City, MO 63045

## TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

You must file your Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) with the NRC. Use NRC Form 531 to provide your TIN. You may obtain NRC Form 531 from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov> by searching for "NRC Form 531" or by calling the NRC Accounts Receivable Help Desk at (301) 415-7554.