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NRC Issues Confirmatory Order to Mistras Group

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has issued a Confirmatory Order to Mistras Group documenting mutually agreed-upon actions to address an apparent violation of NRC requirements at the company's Trainer, Pennsylvania, facility. Mistras performs activities such as testing heavy lifting equipment at nuclear power plants licensed by the NRC.

A [December letter](#) to the company cited one apparent violation of NRC requirements for falsification of calibration records for instruments used to examine the structural integrity of cranes at nuclear power plants. The violation was identified by the NRC's Office of Investigations.

Before making a final enforcement decision, the NRC provided the company with an opportunity to request a predecisional enforcement conference or seek alternative dispute resolution. Mistras requested ADR mediation and met with NRC officials in March to discuss corrective actions. A preliminary settlement agreement was reached at the session, and the issues agreed upon were incorporated into the [Confirmatory Order](#).

Two former Mistras employees pleaded guilty in federal court to falsifying documents and were banned in January from participating in NRC-licensed activities for periods of five and two years, respectively.