



**UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
REGION IV
611 RYAN PLAZA DRIVE, SUITE 400
ARLINGTON, TEXAS 76011-8064**

December 3, 2002

Bayou Inspection Services, Inc.
ATTN: Paul Fraley
Radiation Safety Officer
P.O. Box 1065
Amelia, LA 70340

SUBJECT: INITIAL NRC FORM 241 FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2003

Mr. Fraley:

This acknowledges receipt of your initial NRC Form 241 dated November 25, 2002, and the \$1400 application fee, submitted to the NRC Region IV office to report proposed activities in NRC jurisdiction under the authority of the general license pursuant to 10 CFR 150.20.

Your Agreement State license is recognized as valid for the proposed use of licensed material at the locations listed on your NRC Form 241, and attachments, if any. Please be aware that working under reciprocity in NRC jurisdiction requires you to comply with NRC regulations, as described in 10 CFR 150.20. Please recognize that the gamma pipeliner is approved under an exemption which expires on January 31, 2003. The regional office currently has a request into Headquarter's to determine the status of this exemption, as we recognize that licensees have cited concerns over the safety of using alternate devices not intended for the inspection of pipeline construction, and the significant economic impact on your industry if the devices are prohibited from use. We will keep you informed as to the status of this exemption; however, under the existing exemption, the NRC will no longer approve the use of the gamma pipeliner device after January 31, 2003.

The calendar year 2003 RTS Reference numbers for your proposed locations of work will be updated in our computer system and provided to you as your clarifications are submitted for the calendar year 2003. When the respective RTS reference numbers are provided to you, please refer to the respective RTS reference numbers in future communications.

You must submit an NRC Form 241 clarification report when you propose to add locations of work, add or delete dates of work, change work site contacts, use different radioactive materials, or elect to perform additional work activities within NRC jurisdiction, and subsequently provide those changes to this office. Please note, all notifications or clarifications of work activities or changes to the information submitted on the initial NRC Form 241 must include as a minimum, the following information: licensee name, agreement state license number, location of work, dates of work, and the signature of the RSO or designee.

Information submitted on NRC Form 241 must be specific regarding the location and dates of use. Since your reciprocity request is for various locations over an extended period of time, you are required to notify this office three days prior to each of the proposed generally licensed activities. However, given the nature of your licensed activities, the time requirement specified in 10 CFR 150.20(b)(1) for filing an NRC Form 241 clarification report and any subsequent notifications has been waived, provided that you:

- A. Inform this office by telephone or facsimile of work activities or changes to the information submitted on the initial NRC Form 241, and
- B. Receive oral or written authorization for the activities from this office, and
- C. Submit written confirmation and the check for the fee payment, if applicable, within 3 days after the notification.

Among other regulations, you must comply with 10 CFR Part 34, "LICENSES FOR RADIOGRAPHY AND RADIATION SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR RADIOGRAPHIC OPERATIONS." Effective June 27, 1997, the NRC revised 10 CFR 34 to improve both the quality and the safety of industrial radiography. These changes include (but are not limited to):

- 1. The NRC has adopted mandatory certification requirements for industrial radiographers. Radiographers are now required to be certified through a radiographer certification program by a certifying entity in accordance with the criteria specified in Appendix A of 10 CFR Part 34. This requirement became effective June 27, 1999. The NRC recognizes the American Society of Nondestructive Testing, Inc. (ASNT) as a Certifying Entity. The following Agreement States also administer certification programs as Certifying Entities: Georgia, Illinois, Iowa, Louisiana, Nevada, North Dakota, and Texas.
- 2. Survey meters calibration frequency changed from 3 months to 6 months. (NOTE: If your Agreement State License is more restrictive, you must comply with your Agreement State License.)
- 3. Leak testing devices containing depleted uranium (DU) for DU contamination is required at 12-month intervals.
- 4. An additional qualified individual, who is at least an assistant radiographer and who must observe the activities, is required when performing radiography operations.
- 5. A job performance inspection program is required where each individual is evaluated at 6-month intervals.
- 6. After each exposure, a performance based survey is required when approaching the device or guide tube to ensure the source is shielded.

Enclosed is an NRC signature copy of your NRC Form 241. We appreciate your cooperation. If you have questions concerning this letter or other aspects of working in NRC jurisdiction under reciprocity, please contact me at 817-276-6552.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter, its enclosure, and your response, if you provide one, will be made available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the Publicly Available Records (PARS) component of NRC's document system (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html> (the Public Electronic Reading Room).

Sincerely,

/RA/

Rachel S. Browder, Health Physicist
Nuclear Materials Licensing Branch

Enclosure: As stated

cc w/copy of NRC Form 241 and Materials License:
Louisiana Radiation Control Program Director



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MEMORANDUM TO: Shirley Crutchfield
License Fee and Accounts Receivable Branch (T9 E10)

FROM: Rachel S. Browder, Health Physicist **/RA/**
Nuclear Materials Licensing Branch, Region IV
(817) 276-6552

SUBJECT: FEE TRANSMITTAL

A. Region IV

1. NRC FORM 241 ATTACHED:

Applicant/Licensee:	Bayou Inspection Services, Inc.
NRC Form 241 Dated:	November 25, 2002
Agreement State License:	LA-7112-L01
Program Code(s):	03320
2. FEE ATTACHED:

Amount: \$1400	Check: #10899
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3. COMMENTS:

B. LICENSE FEE AND ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE BRANCH

1. Fee Category and Amount: _____
2. Correct Fee Paid. Submittal may be processed for:
General License _____

Signed _____ Date: _____