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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

Office of the Commanding General

Dr. Thomas McLaughlin, Project Manager
US Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Decommissioning Branch
Division of Waste Management
Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards
Washington, DC 20555-0001

Dear Dr. McLaughlin:

The purpose of this correspondence is to inform your agency of recent organizational changes within the Department of the Army that will affect a license for Jefferson Proving Ground (JPG), located in Madison, Indiana. Jefferson Proving Ground has a Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) license, SUB-1435, for the storage of depleted uranium (DU) penetrators remaining in the soil north of the firing line.

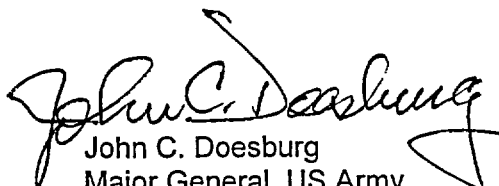
Effective October 06, 2002, JPG is now part of the Installation Support Management Activity (ISMA), which is a Field Operating Agency under the Assistant Chief of Staff for Installation Management. The US Army Soldier and Biological Chemical Command (SBCCOM) is no longer in the chain of command for JPG. Rather, JPG is now part of the ISMA, National Capital Region Office, with its supporting organization being Rock Island Arsenal, located in Illinois. Responsibility, to include any and all environmental liability, has been transferred from SBCCOM to ISMA with this Army reorganization.

As such, the license holder for JPG must be changed to reflect this Army reorganization. In accordance with 10 Code of Federal Regulations § 30.34(b), 40.46, and 70.36, Dr. John Ferriter should no longer be listed as the JPG license holder. The new license holder should be a representative from either Rock Island Arsenal or the ISMA organization. It is my understanding the new license holder is responsible for initiating this change with your agency to ensure continued compliance with the regulations.

Copies of this letter will be furnished to James R. Davidson, ISMA, 5001 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia 22333-0001 and Indiana State Department of Health, Indoor and Radiologic Health, 2 North Meridian, 5th Floor, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-3003.

Any questions on this issue may be directed to Ms. Peggy Giesecking at (410) 436-4659.

Sincerely,


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