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Re: 2701 E. Tioga St. (former Aldan Rubber Company)

Dear Ms. Joustra:

I thank you for taking the time out this morning to speak with me about the situation regarding the radioactive material that was present in the above referenced location. We had no knowledge of any of this material being present in the building prior to its purchase. No one had ever indicated to us that it was there. There was nothing disclosed in the agreement of sale. If we had the known that it was there, we would have disposed of it in a proper manner.

Since the purchase of the building back in September, 2001, we have followed all required procedures to properly dispose of drums and tanks that existed in the building. React Environmental removed our tanks and Alchem removed the drums that were present.

We know that the damaged gauge is at S.D. Richmond and Sons but we do not know where the three exits signs containing tritium are. We do not recall them in the building at the time of purchase. The building was vacant for a year even before we had purchased it. We do not know if they were taken out beforehand.

The disposal of the gauge was not intentional. Safety is a top priority. As I previously stated, if we had known that the radioactive material was in the scrap we would have had it disposed of properly. We are now calling the places that you had given us by fax to get pricing on how much it will cost to remove and dispose of it properly.

Sincerely,



Steven Pepper
President