



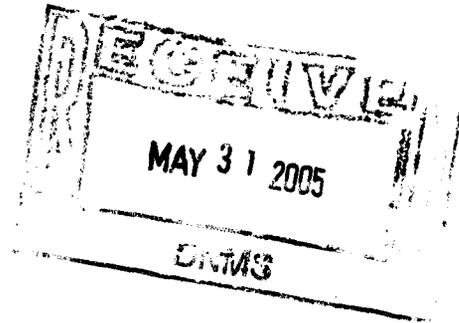
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25 May 2005

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region IV
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Dear Sir or Madame:

This refers to your letter of 04 May 2005, which transmitted Inspection Report 040-08177/05-001 and a Notice of Violation (NOV). The NOV requires a written reply, which must address (1) the reason for the violation, (2) the corrective steps that have been taken and the results achieved; (3) the corrective steps that will be taken to avoid further violations, and (4) the date when full compliance will be achieved. The enclosure provides the required information.

The point of contact for additional information is Mr. Eduardo Perez, Safety Engineer, (361) 961-2326 Ext. 247 or by e-mail at the following address: Eduardo.perez3@ccad.army.mil.

Sincerely,

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Chief, Safety & Environmental Division

Enclosure

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Reply to a Notice of Violation: Docket No. 040-08177; License No. STB-1168

1. Finding: License Condition 14 requires in part, that material be used in accordance with statements and procedures contained in your letter dated 26 August 2003, which included the Corpus Christi Army Depot radiological safety and health program. Section 1-16.e, "Radiation Accidents/Incidents", states the Corpus Christi Army Depot will conduct or participate in a radiation emergency test exercise annually as a minimum. A record of this exercise will be maintained in the IRSO's files.

Contrary to the above, the licensee failed to conduct an emergency response drill for the period covering calendar years 2000 through 2004.

2. Actions:

a. Licensee acknowledges the finding.

b. Reason for the violation: Fully, failure to comply with the written procedure referenced within the body of the license is the reason for the finding. An investigation regarding the root cause for the finding reveals that since 2000, the Corpus Christi Army Depot has had a total of four different Radiation Safety Officers (RSO's). In an effort to maintain the integrity of the radiation safety program, attention to other program facets, details, and requirements by the RSO's led to the neglect of the cited requirement.

c. Corrective steps that have been taken: A radiological emergency exercise was conducted on 28 April 2005. Documentation of the emergency exercise is on file in the CCAD RSO's office.

d. Corrective steps that will be taken: In the future, emergency test exercises will be conducted as necessary to fulfill the requirements of Corpus Christi Army Depot Radiological Safety and Health Program, section titled "Radiation Accidents/Incidents." Further, to preclude the recurrence of this omission, the emergency action drill will be included as a part of the RSO's program action schedule.

e. Date of full compliance: Full compliance was accomplished on 28 April 2005. Documentation of the emergency exercise conducted is on file in the CCAD RSO's office files.



EDUARDO PEREZ
Radiation Safety Officer