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Dear Sir:

There was an article in the August 2005 South Texas Chapter HPS publication *The Billet* that stated the NRC had requested emergency recovery by Los Alamos Recovery Operations of 478 sources from BSI Industries near Pittsburgh. The sources included Cs-137, Co-60, Sr-90, Ra-226, Cm-244 and Am-241.

Since my company does a considerable amount of training for industrial users of devices containing radioactive material, including requirements for decommissioning, the following questions are of interest:

- 1. How was BSI able to amass that number of sources?
- 2. Being familiar with their products, were they licensed for Cm-244 and Am-241?
- 3. Being a manufacturer, did they not have to post some level of financial assurance?
- 4. Does BSI Industries not retain any financial responsibility for the disposal of the radioactive material?

We look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

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