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Attention: Mr. George Pangburn, Director
Division of Nuclear Materials Safety
475 Allendale Road
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Subject: NRC Office of Investigations Report No. 2-2005-003; NRC Inspection No. 03034284/2004001

Dear Mr. Pangburn:

On October 19, 2004, I went to Wal-Mart on Military Highway in Norfolk, Virginia on my lunch break. I was in the Wal-Mart for about 15 minutes. When I was leaving the store I looked on back of the truck and realized that the nuclear gaze was missing. I returned to Wal-Mart to find a security guard so I could inform his that the gaze was stolen off my truck while I was shopping in Wal-Mart. The security person told me that they had a camera in the area that I had parked in. He found the slide and showed me the tape of two white men that drove up beside my truck and got out their car and went on back of the truck and dislodge the gaze from the back of the truck and put the gaze in their car. The two men then drove off the parking lot on to the main street. The security person and I (Ralph Black) called the policeman and made a report. I called FES after making the police report I talked to Zulfikhar Ahmad, the Project/Lab manager on the phone. I reported the theft of the nuclear gaze to Zulfikhar. Zulfikhar said ok. I returned to the office to get another gaze to complete the jobs on the southside. I did not return to the office until October 25, 2004 and I told Zulfikhar the gaze was stolen. The Office (FES) had 6 nuclear gazes that did not have locks on the inside or outside; this was a normal thing for the office. I informed Zulfikhar "6" or "7" different times about the unsafe manner that I was carrying the gazes around. The reason the gaze was not locked on the truck was due to the neglect of Zulfikhar not purchasing locks for the gazes on the truck.

Thanking you in advance for your understanding in this matter.

Sincerely yours,



Ralph Black