

September 7, 2006  
EN-06-040

OFFICE OF ENFORCEMENT  
NOTIFICATION OF SIGNIFICANT ENFORCEMENT ACTION

Individual: Mr. Nicholas A. Chaimov (IA-06-046)

Subject: ORDER PROHIBITING INVOLVEMENT IN NRC-LICENSED ACTIVITIES  
(IMMEDIATELY EFFECTIVE)

This is to inform the Commission that an Immediately Effective Order Prohibiting Involvement in NRC-Licensed Activities for a period of three years will be issued on or about September 12, 2006, to Mr. Nicholas Chaimov. The Order will be issued based on information obtained during an OI investigation which determined that Mr. Chaimov engaged in deliberate misconduct, as defined in 10 CFR 50.5, "Deliberate misconduct," by deliberately modifying the Reed College Reactor control rod circuit. Specifically, Mr. Chaimov deliberately removed a jumper on the control rod drive circuit without the licensee's knowledge or approval. Removal of the jumper did not adversely impact reactor safety nor was the health and safety of the public affected because the reactor startup checklist was initiated as required. The steps in the checklist demonstrated that there was a malfunction in the rod control system and the problem was corrected before any adverse situation developed. Mr. Chaimov's actions caused the licensee to be in violation of 10 CFR 50.59, "Changes, tests, and experiments."

It should be noted that the individual has not been informed of the enforcement action. The schedule of issuance and notification is:

Telephone Notification of Individual	September 12, 2006
Mailing of Order	September 12, 2006
Reed College Reactor	September 12, 2006

The State of Oregon will be notified.

The individual has 20 days from the date of the Order in which to request a hearing.

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