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TELEPHONE CONVERSATION RECORD

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or Report No(s).Name of Licensee: Department of the Army - US Army Aberdeen Test Center (ATC)
Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD

Name of Participant(s): John Beckman, RSO

Telephone No.

Subject: (NOTE: This will be used as the Documents Title in ADAMS) Planned changed in Ford's Farm area

Summary:

John Beckman called to let us know of some planned changes at the Ford's Farm Area where the Superbox and the Cut Box are located. Funding has come available, and they plan to take down the Cut Box. Some of the soil in the area of the Cut box is contaminated, but they are not planning on remediating this area yet because they will continue using this area for staging of tanks and other contaminated equipment. They will remediate some of the soil on an outer boundary of the area using NRC screening criteria. I confirmed that, so long as they are using procedures currently used in their rad safety program (no new or unusual procedures) and so long as they use the screening values, they do not need to submit a Decomm Plan (DP) to us. They have remediated and taken down other similar contaminated facilities in the past, and do not anticipate using any new procedures or methods.

John Beckman also said that they are considering the addition of another Catch Box in the Outdoor Firing Area, and will submit an amendment to the license if they want to do this. He said they are also considering requesting an increase in the Soft Target DU limit (this limits the amount of DU allowed to remain in the Outdoor Test Area) because they are nearing the limit. I did not think of it until later, but if they do this, we will have to review the limit and that issues related to removal of the Outdoor Test Area from the SDMP list; in the past, we have held that they can not have unlimited amounts of DU out there, and they developed the Catch Boxes as a method to contain DU rounds for retrieval and removal because of the limit.

They plan to send an amendment request in as soon as it gets through their command chain, for a new Am-241 limit so they may obtain a mixed gamma calibration source.

Action Required Telecon record to LAT for file; contact Beckman with reminder about Outdoor Target Area issues

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