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Mr. Robert E. Brinkman  
U. S. Atomic Energy Commission  
Materials Branch  
Division of Materials Licensing  
Washington, D. C. 20545

Reference: Licenses Nos. 37-02006-05, SMB-1005  
and SNM 1199

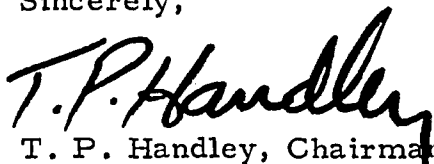
Dear Mr. Brinkman:

Effective 5 February 1973, Richard G. Oesterling, Health Physicist, has been appointed Radiation Safety Officer for activities conducted by the Space Division under the referenced licenses.

Mr. Oesterling's radioactive materials experience (resume) is attached.

Please amend these licenses accordingly and direct correspondence to Mr. Oesterling's attention -- Room M1020 - Building 100.

Sincerely,



T. P. Handley, Chairman  
Ionizing Radiation Advisory Group

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cc: RG Oesterling

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RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS EXPERIENCE --

RICHARD G. OESTERLING, HEALTH PHYSICIST

EDUCATION

B. S. (General Studies), Eastern Oregon College, 1962

Numerous Company-sponsored courses in manufacturing management, Fortran programming, criticality control, noise control and nuclear criticality safety. Health Physics Society sponsored courses in certification preparation. Office of Civil Defense courses in radiological monitoring for instructors and industrial civil defense management.

EXPERIENCE

Certified in Health Physics by American Board of Health Physics, 1970

- 1963 Engineer - Radiation Monitoring, Redox Facility, Hanford  
to Responsible for providing health physics advice and assistance to the operating  
1965 components of a nuclear fuel reprocessing facility and associated analytical laboratory, a kilocurie research laboratory, a decontamination facility for large radioactive equipment, a uranium oxide calcination facility, high-level waste storage facilities and radioactive waste burial sites.  
Participated directly in decontamination and recovery operations following fire in a plutonium concentration facility.
- 1965 Supervisor - Radiation Monitoring, Redox Facility, Hanford  
to Directed a staff of 14 health physics technicians in performing radiation and  
1966 contamination surveys and effluent monitoring for the facilities listed under the previous position. Served as technical liaison with other Hanford components, particularly instrument development group. Provided direct health physics consultation to the operating components of the above listed groups and a plutonium metal fabrication facility.
- 1966 Engineer - Nuclear Safety Technology, N-Reactor, Hanford  
to Responsible for (1) auditing the radiation safety performance of the operating  
1968 components of a large nuclear power and production reactor and a uranium fuel fabrication facility; (2) providing technical health physics support for these components; (3) serving as technical liaison with groups contracted to perform studies of site geology, hydrology and micrometeorology and studies of fuel failure modes; (4) performing or directing investigations of actual or postulated releases of radioactive materials or chemicals to the environment; (5) performing radiation shielding analyses; and (6) participating directly in assorted projects such as decontamination of reactor piping and heat exchangers, effluent monitoring and containing an oil spill to the adjacent river.

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- 1968 Engineer - Nuclear Safety, Vallecitos Nuclear Center  
 to (1) Supervised a staff of six (6) at a test reactor; (2) provided health physics  
 1969 support to operating components; (3) performed neutron and gamma shielding  
 analyses; (4) directed the environmental monitoring program; (5) participated  
 in safety reviews and criticality analyses.
- 1969 Manager - Plant Safety, Midwest Fuel Recovery Plant  
 to Responsible for developing and administrating the radiation and industrial  
 1973 safety programs for a new nuclear fuel reprocessing plant. Specific areas  
 included: (1) emergency plan, (2) environmental monitoring, (3) effluent  
 monitoring, (4) personnel training, including training of health physics  
 technicians, (5) procurement of instrumentation and equipment and equipment  
 design and (7) supervision of a staff of six (6).

| <u>Types of Training</u>  | <u>Where trained</u>                           | <u>Duration of training</u> | <u>On the Job?</u> | <u>Formal Course?</u> |
|---|--|-----------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Principles & Practices of Radiation Protection                                  | Eastern Oregon College<br>General Electric Co. | 8 years                     | Yes                | Yes                   |
| Radioactivity Measurement Standardization & Monitoring Techniques & Instruments | Eastern Oregon College<br>General Electric Co. | 8 years                     | Yes                | Yes                   |
| Mathematics & Calculations Basic to the use & Measurement of Radioactivity      | Eastern Oregon College<br>General Electric Co. | 8 years                     | Yes                | Yes                   |
| Biological Effects of Radiation   | Eastern Oregon College<br>General Electric Co. | 8 years                     | Yes                | Yes                   |

EXPERIENCE WITH RADIATION

| <u>Isotope</u>         | <u>Max. Amount</u> | <u>Location</u>                      | <u>Duration</u> | <u>Type of Use</u>                         |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|--|
| Mixed fission products | megacuries         | Redox, N-Reactor<br>Vallecitos, MFRP | 8 years         | Reprocessing, research and in reactor fuel |
| Plutonium              | 100 kilograms      | Redox facility &<br>Vallecitos       | 4 years         | Reprocessing, research                     |

EXPERIENCE WITH RADIATION - Continued

| <u>Isotope</u>             | <u>Max. Amount</u> | <u>Location</u>                              | <u>Duration</u> | <u>Type of Use</u>                   |
|----------------------------|--------------------|--|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| Uranium unenriched         | metric tons        | Redox facility & Midwest Fuel Recovery Plant | 4 years         | Calcination, MFRP cold runs          |
| Polonium -210              | 100 curies         | Redox facility                               | 3 months        | Recovery research                    |
| Promethium isotopes        | 100 curies         | Redox facility                               | 6 months        | Separations research                 |
| Cobalt - 60                | kilocuries         | N-Reactor & Vallecitos                       | 3 years         | Source production activation product |
| Tritium                    | megacuries         | N-Reactor                                    | 1 1/2 yrs.      | Production                           |
| Activation products        | curies             | N-Reactor Vallecitos                         | 3 years         | Reactor coolant                      |
| Uranium, slightly enriched | metric tons        | N-Reactor                                    | 1 1/2 yrs.      | Fuel fabrication                     |
| Mixed fission products     | 10 curies          | N-Reactor                                    | 1 1/2 yrs.      | Fuel failure research                |
| Radioactive noble gases    | 1 curie            | Vallecitos                                   | 3 months        | Calibration                          |
| Cobalt - 60                | 30 millicuries     | Washington State & Illinois State            | 4 years         | Civil Defense instruction            |
| Various                    | generally licensed | Eastern Oregon College                       | 6 months        | Education                            |
| Radium                     | 1 milligram        | Eastern Oregon College                       | 3 months        | Education                            |
| Plutonium-beryllium        | 10 curies          | Vallecitos MFRP                              | 2 1/2 yrs.      | Neutron source                       |
| Americium-beryllium-curium | 100 curies         | Vallecitos                                   | 6 months        | Neutron source                       |