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**Sent:** Monday, April 13, 2009 2:24 PM  
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**Cc:** Glenda Villamar; Christian Einberg; James Luehman; Michael Clark  
**Subject:** NRC Follow up on Thomson Prior Response to Tritium Exit Signs Inventory  
**Attachments:** ShermanPropertyProfile.pdf; ShermanBrochure.pdf; Merger doc of RCA into GE.pdf.zip; Atlantic Metals\_Affidavit of Meggan Ehret.pdf

Meggan,

I want to follow up on our prior e-mail communications and your phone conversation with Glenda Villamar. I have discussed the issues you raised with other NRC staff, including staff from the NRC's Office of the General Counsel.

First, I want to emphasize that Thomson must provide a complete written answer to the Demand for Information (DFI) that the NRC issued on January 17, 2009. The DFI requires that Thomson provide information in five areas. (I am referring to sections III.A through III.E of the DFI.) Under 10 CFR 2.204, Thomson must provide its answer to the DFI under oath or affirmation.

As explained in my prior email to you, because the NRC relies on manufacturers to report information pertaining to the sale of tritium exit signs, the NRC's records may not reflect the actual number of signs in Thomson's inventory. Indeed, part of the reason the NRC issued the DFI was to help us determine whether licensees have signs not reflected in our records. Thomson's answer should address all tritium exit signs it has acquired, regardless of whether those signs are reflected in NRC records.

Second, the NRC is extending the deadline for Thomson's answer to May 13, 2009. Please contact me immediately if you believe Thomson will be unable to provide a complete answer to the DFI by May 13, 2009.

Third, I would emphasize that NRC regulations also govern the transfer of any tritium exit signs Thomson has acquired. In your e-mail, you appear to state that Thomson sold two properties containing tritium exit signs. If so, Thomson was required to follow NRC regulations when transferring those signs, including the requirements of 10 CFR 31.5(c)(8) and, as appropriate, 10 CFR 31.5(c)(9). Among other requirements, these regulations state that a general licensee who transfers tritium exit signs to another general licensee must provide the new licensee with certain information and notify the NRC of the transfers within 30 days.

To reiterate, Thomson must provide a complete answer to the DFI, under oath or affirmation, by May 13, 2009. Please contact me if you have questions or if Thomson will be unable to provide a complete answer by that date.

Regards,  
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**From:** Ehret Meggan  
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**To:** 'Angela McIntosh'; Glenda Villamar  
**Subject:** RE: NRC Inventory Results of Thomson Tinos (formerly RCA Corp.) Tritium Exit Signs; EPA Training, & Manufacturers' Return Policies

Thank you, Angela.

Glenda,

Thanks for the information. I have not heard of an entity called "Thomson Tinos." I work for Thomson Inc. Thomson Inc. is not "formerly RCA Corporation." As I explained when we spoke, it is my understanding GE acquired the stock of RCA Corporation in 1986 and, as you can see from the attached, merged RCA Corporation into itself in 1987. In late 87, Thomson SA and GE entered into a Purchase Agreement wherein, relevant for this purpose, Thomson (through its subsidiaries) acquired certain assets from GE. This spreadsheet is very helpful because it identifies the properties you are asking about. I attach an affidavit I prepared with GE for use in a case where Thomson was incorrectly sued. The lawsuit involved the Camden NJ facility, which Thomson did not acquire from GE. The affidavit also attached excerpts from the GE/Thomson agreement that list the properties Thomson acquired.

In short, Thomson Inc. acquired two of the properties on the spreadsheet from GE—the one in Indy at Sherman Drive and the one in Marion Indiana (both listed on page 13 of the attached affidavit). Thomson Inc. subsequently sold these properties. The Marion facility was bought by Marion T, LLC. The Indy Sherman Drive entity was purchased by an entity I understand has filed bankruptcy (see attached).

Given this, I understand there is nothing you need from Thomson Inc. If this is not correct, please let me know.

Thanks,  
Meggan

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**From:** Angela McIntosh [mailto:[Angela.McIntosh@nrc.gov](mailto:Angela.McIntosh@nrc.gov)]  
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**Subject:** NRC Inventory Results of Thomson Tinos (formerly RCA Corp.) Tritium Exit Signs; EPA Training, & Manufacturers' Return Policies

Hello Meggan: you have previously been in contact with Glenda Villamar, my colleague. It is our understanding you were hoping for a copy of our inventory of tritium exit signs sold to Thomson Tinos (formerly RCA Corporation).

According to NRC records, Thomson Tinos has acquired a total of 724 tritium exit signs, but please see attached for the specific inventory results. *Note that since NRC relies on manufacturers to report this information, the attached may or may not reflect the actual number of signs in your inventory.*

Also attached is a document with a link to some training created by the Environmental Protection Agency, to help with identification of tritium exit signs, and guidance on the management of these signs. The final attachment is a list of manufacturers' return policies. I hope these additional items will assist you in your inventory efforts.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact Glenda ([Glenda.Villamar@nrc.gov](mailto:Glenda.Villamar@nrc.gov)) or me using the contact information that follows.

Regards,

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