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Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Mail Stop T-8F3
11545 Rockville Pike
Rockville, MD 20852

February 26, 2010

Attn: Mr. Bruce Carrico and Mr. Nima Askeboussi

Subject: Amendment of U.S. NRC Radioactive Materials License #19-23643-01E and S.S.D.R. #NR-0657-D-101-E

Dear Sirs:

As a follow up to my last revisions (address change) to my U.S. NRC Radioactive Materials License #19-23643-01E and S.S.D.R. #NR-0657-D-101-E; I am inquiring about the previous letter request dated October 3, 2008 (see attachment).

I'm used to having "NRC Engineering evaluations" taking up to a year, but since we are presently in Underwriters Laboratories testing / listing projects utilizing the alternate radioactive source, NRD LLC Model A-001 (mounted in source holder A-1056), manufactured by NRD, LLC, 2937 Alt Boulevard North, Grand Island New York; time has become of the essence.

Please review my attached letter and advise me of the status, as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Stephen F. Babinec
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Universal Security Instruments, Inc.
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October 3, 2008

US Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attention: Nima Ashkeboussi / Thomas Herrera
Mail Stop T-8F3
11545 Rockville Pike
Rockville, MD. 20852

Dear Mr. Ashkeboussi:

As a follow-up to our phone conversation 3 weeks ago, in reference to my request for amending NRC License No. 19-23643-01E and Registration Certificate No. NR-0657-D-101-E, to (1) allow the alternate use of the NRD LLC Model A-001 sealed source mounted in holder assembly A-1056, manufactured by NRD, LLC, 2937 Alt Boulevard North, Grand Island, New York; and also (2) to revise the "SS-770 Series Source Chamber Assembly" (used in Universal Security Instruments, Inc. ionization type smoke alarms); to increase the "signal to noise ratio" and reduce operational false alarms.

As I also related, The NRD, LLC Model A-001 Americium 241 sealed source has an ISO 2919 classification code number ISO\ C 32222 , acceptable for smoke alarm usage.

The "Source Chamber Mid Contact Plate" has been made circular and larger in surface area, and the plastic "Source Holder Base" has been revised to have a side extension to retain the source chamber mid contact plate in place, and to add a third plastic PCB latch for stability.

None of the above changes should affect the original safety evaluation of the product.

I am also enclosing drawings relating to the above sealed source chamber assembly:

a. SS-770 Series Source Chamber Assembly (NRC Device Security) 2 Pages
b. NRD A-1056 Assembly / A-001 Source Element / NRD Dwg. No. 05B052
c. NRD A-001 Foil General Composition and IAEI Certificate of Competent Authority
d. Source Contact / Universal Part No. 011-0161-00
e. Source Chamber Mid Contact Plate / Universal Part No. 011-0160-01
f. Source Chamber Cover / Universal Part No. 011-0159-01
g. Source Chamber Base / Universal Part No. 011-0158-01

If there is any other information needed please contact me.

Sincerely,

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By signing you authorize us to deliver this shipment without obtaining a signature and agree to indemnify and hold us harmless from any resulting claims.

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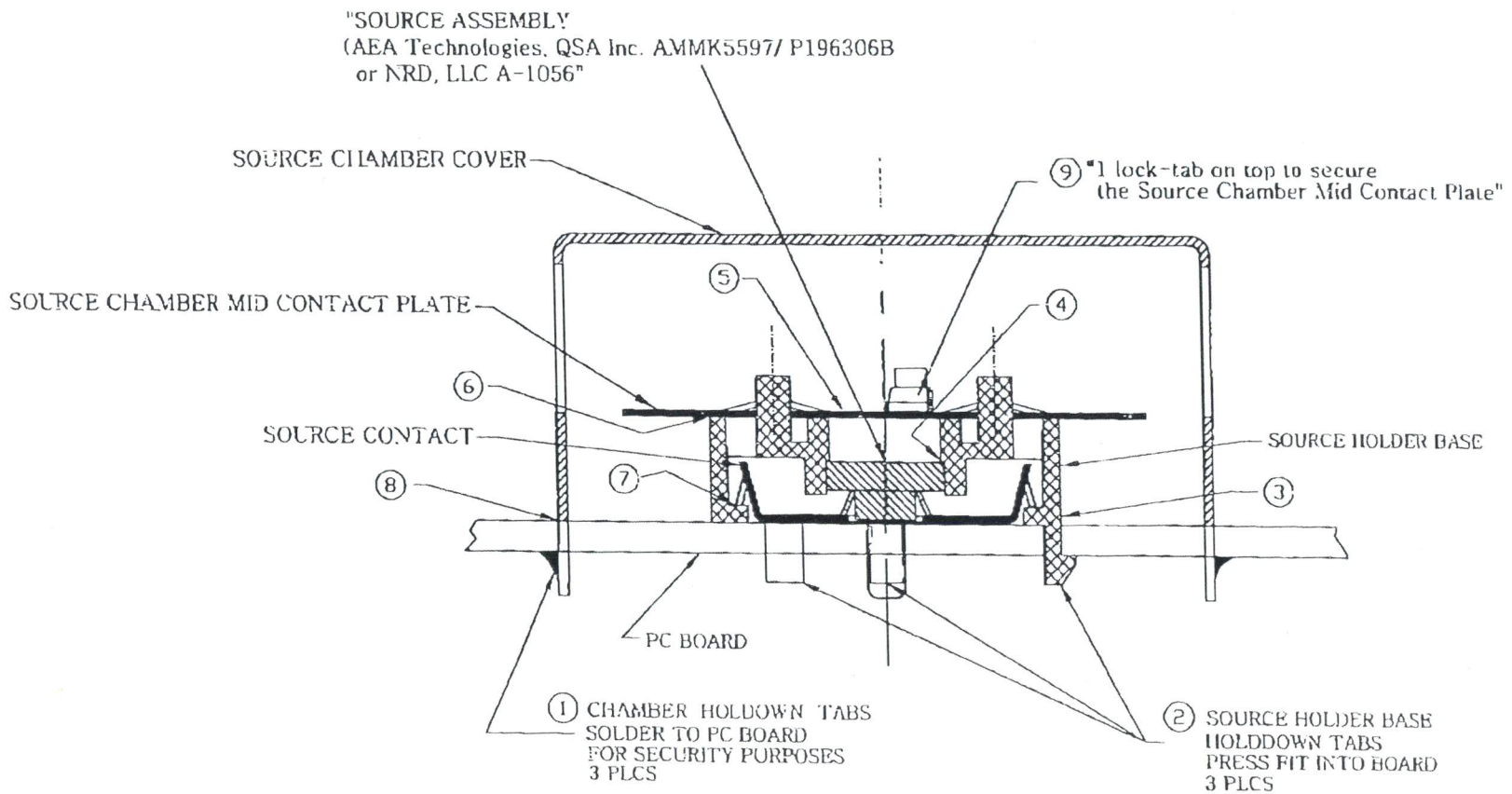

SS-770 Series Source Chamber Assembly
(NRC Device Security)

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SS-770 SERIES SOURCE CHAMBER ASSEMBLY

1. Source chamber cover is soldered to printed circuit board in three places.

2. Source holder base (3) tabs are press fit into the printed circuit board.

3. Source holder base fits flush (no space) to printed circuit board after press fit, Item #2 above.

4. Source element has no space between its top and "inner ring fit" of source holder base.

5. Source chamber mid-contact plate is flat across its full length after it has been press fit onto the source holder base.

6. No space between source chamber mid-contact plate and source holder base.

7. Four tabs of source contact lock into source holder base.

8. Source chamber cover is flush with printed circuit board after smoldering.

9. Lock tab secures the source chamber mid-contact plate.

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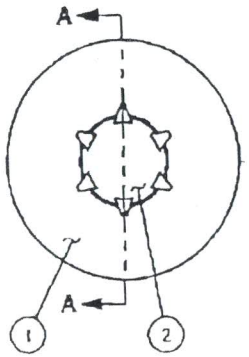

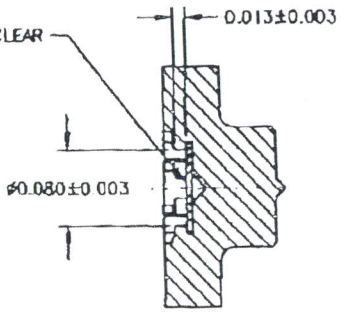

SECTION "A-A"

NOTES:

1. MODEL A-001 Am-241 SOURCE ø3/32 (ø0.092)
   CONTENT: 0.77 µCi ±16% AT 0.99 CONFIDENCE INTERVAL
   PLATING: WHITE GOLD
2. CRIMPED TABS SHOULD HOLD FOIL FIRMLY TO THE BOTTOM OF THE FOIL CAVITY.
3. CRIMPED SURFACES SHOULD BE FREE OF CRACKS OR FLAWS.
4. SOURCE SURFACE MAY BE DISTORTED BUT NOT RUPTURED BY STAKING.

ITEM	QTY.	DESCRIPTION	D/N, SIZE
2	1	A-001 SOURCE	88A011
1	1	SOURCE HOLDER 1056	858026

SIGNATURES	DATE
C. DUBIN	12/9/05
CAPPARELLA	12/9/05
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2937 ALT BOULEVARD
GRAND ISLAND, NEW YORK 14072

A-1056 ASSEMBLY
A-001 MOUNTED SOURCE

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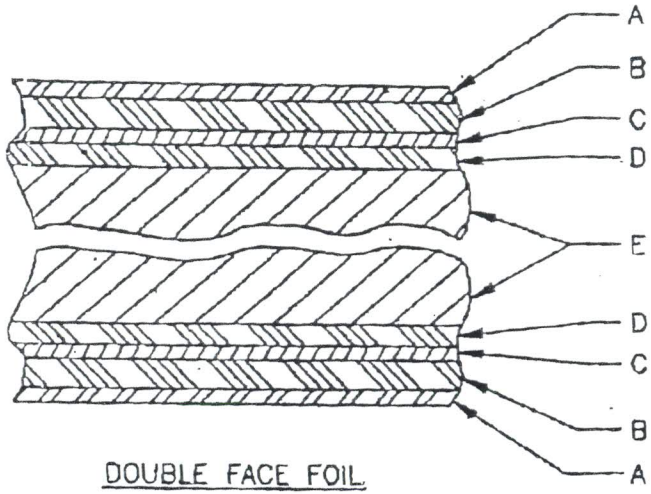

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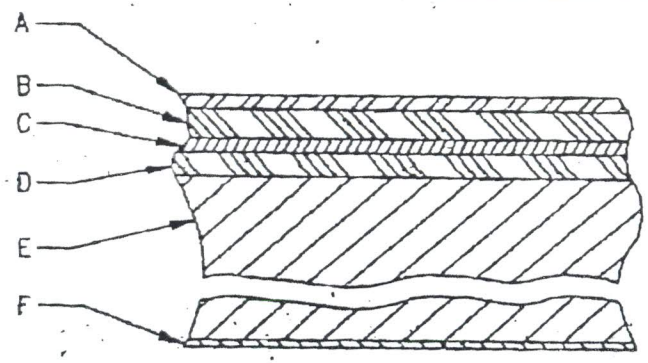

SINGLE FACE FOIL
CROSS SECTION

A. * PLATING 0.00002
B. GOLD 0.00004
C. AMERICIUM 241 & GOLD 0.00002
D. GOLD 0.00003
E. SILVER 0.004 TO 0.009
F. FLASH PLATING FOR IDENTIFICATION

NOTES:

1. * PLATING CAN BE YELLOW GOLD, WHITE GOLD, OR PALLADIUM.
2. ACTIVITY RANGE:
   A. FROM LESS THAN 1 MICROCURIE UP TO 55 MILLICURIES PER FOIL.
   B. NOT TO EXCEED 2.33 MICROCURIES PER SQUARE MILLIMETER. (OR 1500 MICRO-CURIES PER SQUARE INCH)
3. DIMENSIONS ARE IN INCHES UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED.

NRD INC.
A SUBSIDIARY OF MARK IV INDUSTRIES, INC.
2837 ALT BOULEVARD GRAND ISLAND, NEW YORK 14072

TOLERANCE (EXCEPT AS NOTED)	TITLE: A-001 FOIL GENERAL COMPOSITION		
DECIMAL ±	MATERIAL & FINISH: SEE NOTES	SCALE: NONE	DRAWN BY: C. DUNN
FRACTIONAL ±			
ANGULAR ±	DATE: 10JL92	DWG. NUMBER: 92A071	REVISION

U.S. Department of Transportation
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IAEA CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENT AUTHORITY
SPECIAL FORM RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS
CERTIFICATE NUMBER USA/0036/S, REVISION 7

This certifies that the source described has been demonstrated to meet the regulatory requirements for special form radioactive material as prescribed in the regulations of the International Atomic Energy Agency[1] and the United States of America[2] for the transport of radioactive materials.

1. Source Identification - NRD Model A-001.

2. Source Description - This Special Form material is a laminated metallic foil of silver, gold, and americium dioxide, as shown on NRD Inc. Drawing No. B2A071 (attached). The foil may be single or double. The single foil consists of successive layers of plating, gold, Am-241 and gold, gold, silver, and flash plating for identification. In the double foil the flash plating is replaced by gold, Am-241 and gold, gold, and plating. The plating is yellow gold, white gold, or palladium. During transport the material may be in the form of free foils or secured in a variety of holders or mounts.

3. Radioactive Contents - Americium-241 as an oxide with the activity per foil ranging from less than 0.037 MBq (1uCi) to 2.035 GBq (55 mCi). Activity per unit area does not exceed 0.086 MBq per square millimeter (1600 uCi per square inch).

4. Quality Assurance - Records of Quality Assurance activities required by Paragraph 310 of the IAEA regulations[1] shall be maintained and made available to the authorized officials for at least three years after the last shipment authorized by this certificate. Consignors and consignees in the United States exporting or importing shipments under this certificate shall satisfy the requirements of Subpart H of 10 CFR 71.

5. Expiration Date - This certificate expires August 31, 2007.

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1 "Regulations for the Safe Transport of Radioactive Material, 1985 Edition (Revised), No. TS-R-1 (ST-1, Revised)," published by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), Vienna, Austria.

2 Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Parts 100 - 199, United States of America.

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CERTIFICATE USA/0038/9, REVISION 7

This certificate is issued in accordance with paragraph 804 of the IAEA Regulations and Section 173.478 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, in response to the petition and information dated January 31, 2002 submitted by NRD LLC, Grand Island, NY, and in consideration of other information on file in this Office.

Certified By:

Robert A. McGuire
Associate Administrator for
Hazardous Materials Safety

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Revision 7 - Issued to reference the 1996 IAEA regulations and to extend the expiration date.

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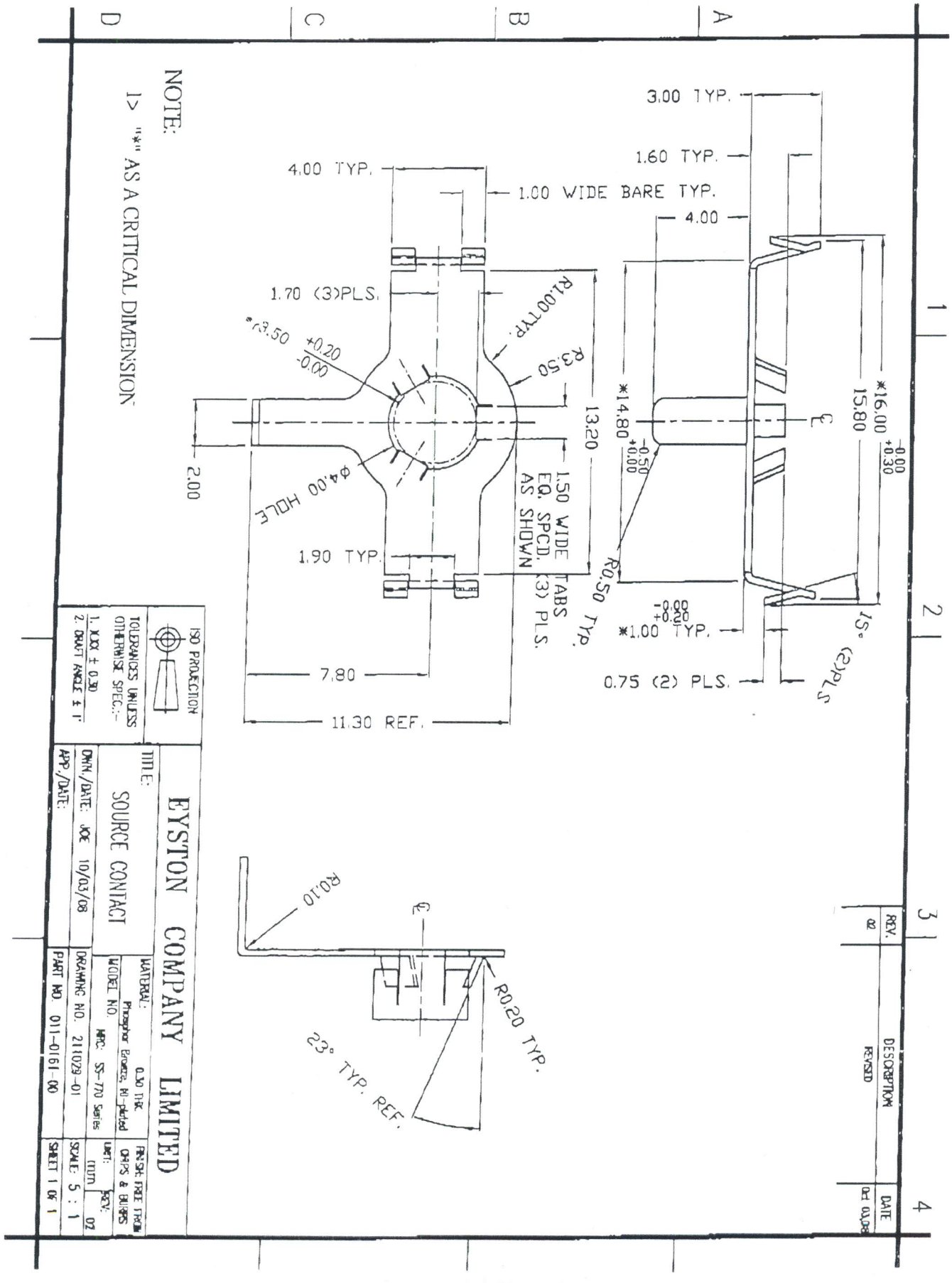
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2. DRAFT ANGLE ± 1°
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MODEL NO.
MFG: SS-770 Series
DRAWING NO. 211029-01
PART NO. 011-0161-00
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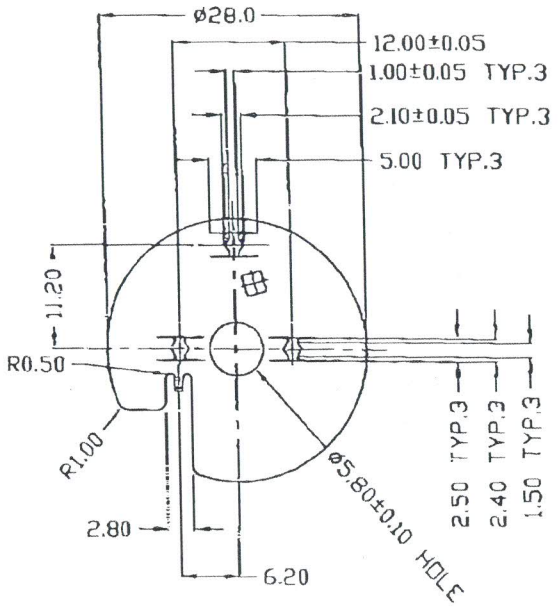

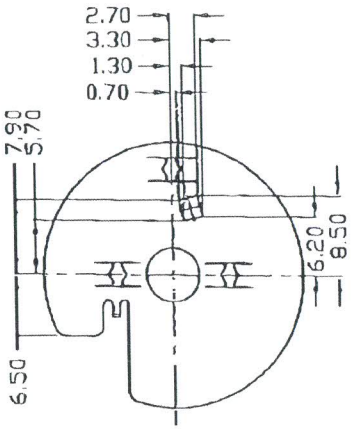

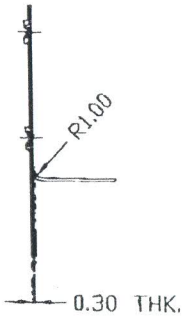

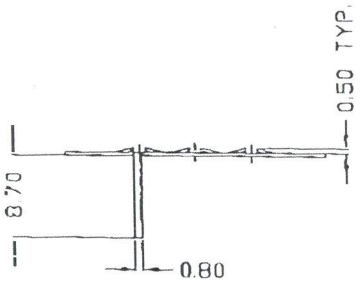

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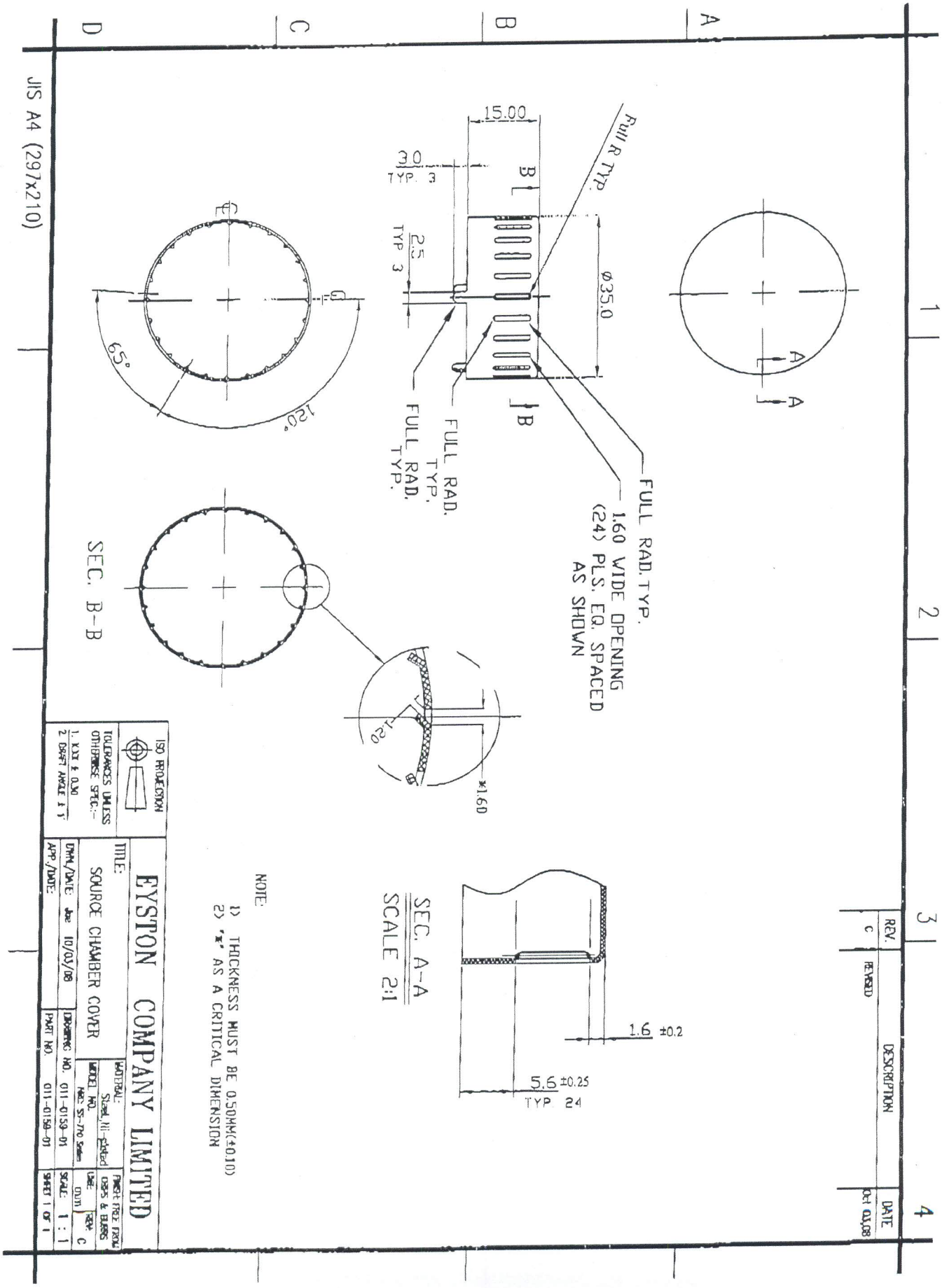
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SEC. A-A
SCALE 2:1
1.6 ±0.2
5.6 ±0.25 TYP. 24
*1.60
NOTE:
1) THICKNESS MUST BE 0.50MM(±0.10)
2) '*' AS A CRITICAL DIMENSION
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DATE Oct 03/08
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2. DRAFT ANGLE 1°
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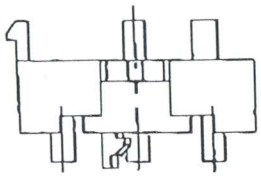

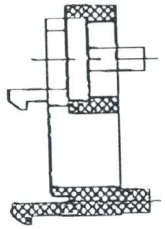

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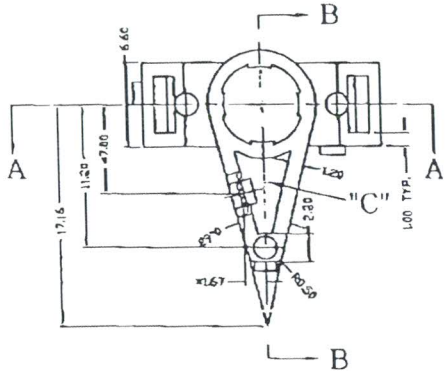

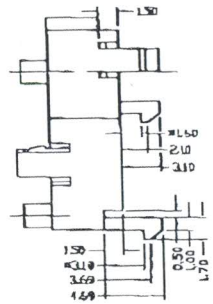

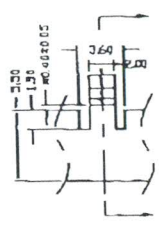

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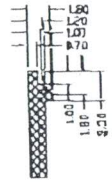

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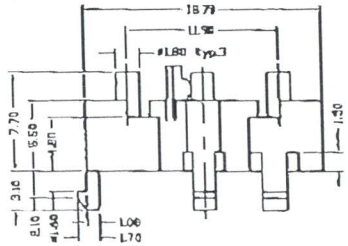

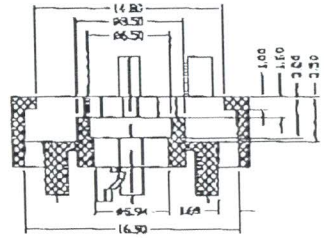

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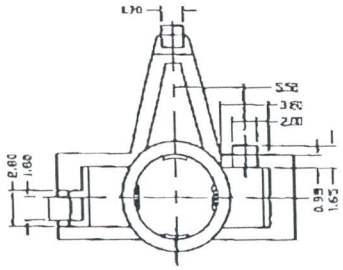

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