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Aerotest Radiography and Research Reactor Docket No. 50-228 Response to NRC Letters of February 26, 2011 and May 24, 2011

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This letter provides the second response to U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission ("NRC") letters dated February 26, 2011 and May 24, 2011 in the above docket.

On February 26, 2011, the NRC issued a Confirmatory Action Letter ("CAL") in this docket, describing the actions Aerotest Operations, Inc. ("Aerotest") agreed it had taken or will take regarding operations, amending the license, staffing, decommissioning planning, and managing and funding disposition of fuel associated with the Aerotest Radiography and Research Reactor ("ARRR"). As requested by the CAL, Aerotest's letter of March 23, 2011, provided the first response to the CAL and informed the NRC of any differences in understanding; provided prior notice to the NRC of any changes, deviations or incomplete commitments at the time; and confirmed completion of actions.

On May 24, 2011, the NRC issued a Request for Additional Information ("RAI"). Aerotest letter dated June 14, 2011 (Attachment 1) provided the first response to the RAI.

The March 23 Aerotest letter stated that the next update under the CAL would be provided no later than the end of June 2011. Paragraph 1 of the RAI requested that

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Aerotest provide at 14 day intervals an update of the progress of divesture efforts and "an estimate of when current discussions with potential buyers will be complete." This letter forwards an affidavit executed by Dario Brisighella on June 27, 2011, updating the responses to both the CAL and RAI within the specified time.

Aerotest will provide its next update under the CAL by October 4, 2011 and its next update in response to paragraph 1 of the RAI by July 12, 2011.

This undersigned affirms the accuracy of the contents of this letter to best of his knowledge and belief. If you have any questions regarding this submittal, please contact the undersigned at (202) 663-9086 (robert.haemer@pillsburylaw.com) or Michael S. Anderson, Secretary of Aerotest at (248) 475-0442 (mike.anderson@autoliv.com).

Sincerely,

Robert. B. Haemer

Counsel for Aerotest Operations, Inc.

Attachments

- (1) Aerotest letter to the NRC dated June 14, 2011
- (2) Affidavit of Dario Brisighella dated June 27, 2011

cc: U.S. NRC Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation/NRLPO U.S. NRC Region IV, Regional Administrator NRC, NRR (C. Montgomery)

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Aerotest Radiography and Research Reactor Docket No. 50-228 Response to NRC Letter of May 24, 2011

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This letter provides a response to U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission ("NRC") letter dated May 24, 2011 in the above docket. On February 26, 2011, the NRC issued a Confirmatory Action Letter ("CAL") in this docket, describing the actions Aerotest Operations, Inc. ("Aerotest") agreed it had taken or will take regarding operations, amending the license, staffing, decommissioning planning, and managing and funding disposition of fuel associated with the Aerotest Radiography and Research Reactor ("ARRR"). As requested by the CAL, Aerotest's letter of March 23, 2011, informed the NRC of any differences in understanding; provided prior notice to the NRC of any changes, deviations or incomplete commitments at the time; and confirmed completion of actions. The March 23 Aerotest letter stated that the next update under the CAL would be provided no later than the end of June 2011.

Paragraph 1 of the NRC's May 24, 2011 letter requested that Aerotest provide at 14 day intervals an update of the progress of divesture efforts and "an estimate of when current discussions with potential buyers will be complete." The NRC May 24, 2011 letter was received by Aerotest on May 31, 2011 and this response is provided within fourteen days of receipt as requested.



Aerotest remains in confidential discussions with potential buyers of ARRR. Aerotest signed a Non-Disclosure Agreement with an agent of a potential buyer and that entity has continued its due diligence reviews. While it is prevented by this and previous Non-Disclosure Agreements from discussing specific terms, Aerotest has communicated to the potential acquirers the status of the facility and the need to pursue any negotiations expeditiously, especially in consideration of the timeframes for commencing decommissioning agreed to under the CAL. Therefore, as stated in the CAL as clarified, Aerotest expects that either current discussions with potential buyers will be completed before the decommissioning plan is submitted or Aerotest will terminate the discussions in order to facilitate commencement of decommissioning.

Paragraph 4 of the NRC letter of May 24, 2011 states, in part, "Please confirm to the NRC staff that the estimate for submitting a decommissioning plan to the NRC of 180 to 270 days from March 16, 2011, remains valid." As clarified in the Aerotest letter of March 23, 2011, EnergySolutions has been engaged to develop a decommissioning plan and is updating the schedule for preparing this plan. In that letter, Aerotest committed to update the schedule for submitting a decommissioning plan to the NRC by the end of June 2011. At this time, Aerotest continues to estimate submitting a decommissioning plan no later than December 12, 2011, but the estimate may be revised in the future to reflect additional input from EnergySolutions.

In addition, paragraph 4 of the NRC letter of May 24, 2011 states, in part, "If discussions with current potential buyers are not successful, you should submit your application for a possession-only license amendment no later than 30 days after discussions with the current potential buyers comes to an end." Aerotest will submit an application for a possession-only license amendment either in conjunction with submitting the decommissioning plan or within 30 days of when discussions with current potential buyers end, whichever occurs first.

Aerotest will provide its next update by June 28, 2011.



This undersigned affirms the accuracy of the contents of this letter to best of his knowledge and belief. If you have any questions regarding this submittal, please contact the undersigned at (202) 663-9086 (robert.haemer@pillsburylaw.com) or Michael S. Anderson, Secretary of Aerotest at (248) 475-0442 (mike.anderson@autoliv.com).

Sincerely,

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Counsel for Aerotest Operations, Inc.

cc: U.S. NRC Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation/NRLPO

U.S. NRC Region IV, Regional Administrator

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AFFIDAVIT OF DARIO BRISIGHELLA

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- I, Dario Brisighella, President Aerotest Operations, Inc., do hereby affirm and state:
- 1. I am authorized to execute this affidavit on behalf of Aerotest Operations, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as "Aerotest").
- 2. I provide this affidavit pursuant to the actions described in the NRC letter to Aerotest of February 26, 2011, also known as a Confirmatory Action Letter. This affidavit also responds to the request for additional information in the NRC letter of May 24, 2011.
- 3. Aerotest has signed a Non-Disclosure Agreement with an agent of a potential buyer and that entity has commenced due diligence reviews of the Aerotest Radiography and Research Reactor ("ARRR"). Those due diligence reviews are continuing.
- 4. Aerotest plans to submit to the NRC a request for a possession only license within thirty days after negotiations with current potential buyers cease or in conjunction with submitting the decommissioning plan, whichever comes first. A letter stating that the ARRR has permanently ceased operations would be submitted at the time a request for a possession only license is submitted.
- 5. Current operations and status of the ARRR remain as described in paragraph 1 of Aerotest letter of January 7, 2011.
- 6. Current staffing of the ARRR remain as described in paragraph 2 of Aerotest letter of January 7, 2011.
- 7. After reviewing proposals from two decommissioning contractors, EnergySolutions, Inc. ("EnergySolutions") was selected as the decommissioning contractor in January 2011. A contract with EnergySolutions was signed in late February 2011.
- 8. EnergySolutions commenced site characterization, including a historical site assessment, on March 16, 2011. EnergySolutions provided an updated schedule for preparing a decommissioning plan on May 4, 2011. EnergySolutions current schedule plans to provide a decommissioning plan to Aerotest for review on October 20, 2011.

Aerotest would then review the plan and expects to submit the plan to the NRC within 30 days thereafter

- 9. Aerotest is developing a decommissioning funding plan in parallel with the EnergySolutions preparation of the decommissioning plan.
- 10. Fuel management options were discussed in a meeting with EnergySolutions on March 17, 2011. Several options for fuel management, including the approach recently approved by the NRC for the Zion Station, are being evaluated. EnergySolutions will provide a preliminary analysis of options on September 22, 2011.
- 11. Aerotest is preparing a fuel management funding plan in parallel with the EnergySolutions work.
- 12. Aerotest has no plans to commence research or N-ray work at the ARRR. Aerotest is not aware of any regulatory approvals required prior to resuming such work.

Dario Brisighella, being duly sworn, states that I am President of Aerotest, that I am authorized on the part of said Company to sign and file with the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission this affidavit, and that all the matter and facts set forth herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Dario Brisighella

President, Aerotest Operations, Inc.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public, in and for the county and state above named, this day of June, 2011.

Notary Public in and for the State of Utah

My Commission Expires: 10 20 2012

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Notary Public, State of Utah
Commission # 575822
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October 20, 2012