

REPORT OF INTERVIEW

WITH

(b)(7)(C)

On May 4, 1999,

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(b)(7)(C) was interviewed by Special Agent (b)(7)(C) (b)(7)(C) Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Office of Investigations, Region IV (RIV). This report relates, in substance the information (b)(7)(C) provided regarding the potential overexposure of two individuals during radiography operations.

(b)(7)(C) stated the incident occurred at the Eaton Metal Products (EATON) facility, Pocatello, Idaho, on the (b)(7)(C) of September 14 and (b)(7)(C) of September 15, 1998. According to (b)(7)(C) Professional Service Industries, Inc. (PSI), Lombard, Illinois, an NRC licensee, operating out of Salt Lake City, Utah, was performing radiography at EATON. (b)(7)(C) acknowledged that he had no first hand knowledge of the alleged incident and that he was provided the information by (b)(7)(C) EATON. According to (b)(7)(C) PSI was performing radiography on a 2 ½ inch thick vessel inside the EATON facility. Two EATON employees, one of whom was identified as (b)(7)(C) wanted to enter the facility in order to shut a large door. In order to shut the door, they had to cross a rope boundary which was installed for the radiography. (b)(7)(C) related that the two EATON employees went to the radiographer's truck and noted that one of the PSI employees [NFI] was asleep in the cab. Allegedly the two EATON employees then proceeded to the truck's camper and knocked on the door to which the other PSI employee [NFI] replied "Don't bother me, I'm developing film." (b)(7)(C) stated that the PSI employees understood this to indicate that PSI had finished their radiography. At that point, according to (b)(7)(C) the two EATON employees, crossed the rope barrier, noticed the film was attached to the vessel and assumed the source was still exposed. As they exited the building, they apparently told the PSI employees what had happened to which PSI informed them that they had not received sufficient exposure over which to be concerned. (b)(7)(C) continued that later that morning (September 15, 1998) (b)(7)(C) became ill and regurgitated. According to (b)(7)(C) (b)(7)(C) reported the incident to (b)(7)(C) (b)(7)(C) EATON, later that same day. It was (b)(7)(C) understanding that a meeting between EATON and PSI on September 15, 1998, determined the PSI radiographer [NFI] denied being asleep in the truck cab and that the exposure received was minimal. Allegedly PSI stated that (b)(7)(C) illness was due to the employee's fear vice radiation related. According to (b)(7)(C) both EATON employees were fearful they had been overexposed but were

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likewise fearful of being terminated if they made an issue of the incident with EATON.

In conclusion, (b)(7)(C) expressed reluctance about any further involvement in this incident stating he was only concerned for the health and safety of the EATON employees and the preclusion of any further violations by PSI.

This report was prepared on May 24, 1999, from agent's notes.

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