

REPORT OF INTERVIEW  
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On May 3, 1999, (b)(7)(C) Eaton Metal Products (EATON), Pocatello, Idaho, was interviewed at his place of business by Special Agent (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 allegation of potential radiation overexposure during the conduct of radiography operations.

(b)(7)(C) recalled that on September 14, 1998, while working the (b)(7)(C) at EATON, Professional Service Industries, Inc. (PSI), Lombard, Illinois, an NRC licensee, was conducting radiography on a 2 ½ inch thick metal vessel (12 foot diameter) inside the EATON building in which he was working. He acknowledged that PSI had erected a barricade alerting people to the conduct of radiography and recalled being informed by one of the PSI employees [NFI], earlier in the evening, not to cross the barricade due to the potential risk of radiation exposure. At approximately (b)(7)(C) on September 15, 1998, he, along with (b)(7)(C) and (b)(7)(C) were finishing their shift and preparing to exit the building which required transiting the barricaded area. (b)(7)(C) recalled that (b)(7)(C) and (b)(7)(C) were approaching the barricade from slightly different aspects based on where they had finished their work for the shift. As he (b)(7)(C) approached the barricade he claimed he did not observe any PSI employee in or around the barricaded area as he had earlier in the shift. He claimed that he did observe one of the PSI employees apparently asleep in the cab of the PSI radiography truck which was parked near the barricade. Based on the absence of any PSI employee at the barricade and his observance of the PSI employee apparently asleep in the truck, (b)(7)(C) assumed PSI had concluded their radiography and crossed the barricade. He maintained that he did not hear anyone shout to "Get out of there" and estimated he was in the area for no longer than 15-20 seconds. (b)(7)(C) also added that he did not believe the area was "hot" until informed later by (b)(7)(C). He maintained he suffered no physical ailments and that he spoke with his supervisor, (b)(7)(C) (b)(7)(C) EATON, about the incident later that morning.

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This report was prepared on May 7, 1999, from agent's notes.

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