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May 20, 2014

Docket No. 03033459

License No. 39-23825-01E

Michael A. Runge  
Director of Operations  
Champion Aerospace, Inc.  
P.O. Box 686  
Liberty, SC 29657-0686

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 03033459/2014001, CHAMPION  
AEROSPACE, INC., LIBERTY, SOUTH CAROLINA SITE AND NOTICE OF  
VIOLATION

Dear Mr. Runge:

On May 1, 2014, Scott Wilson of this office conducted a safety inspection at 1230 Old Norris Road, Liberty, South Carolina, of activities authorized by the above listed NRC license. The inspection was an examination of your licensed activities as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Commission's regulations and the license conditions. The inspection consisted of observations by the inspector, interviews with personnel, and a selective examination of representative records. The findings of the inspection were discussed with you and Mr. Alan Woods of your organization at the conclusion of the inspection.

Based on the results of this inspection and in accordance with the NRC Enforcement Policy, the NRC has determined that one Severity Level IV violation of NRC requirements occurred. The violation involved the failure to submit records of transfer annually as required by Condition No. 12 of the above license.

The violation is cited in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice), because the violation was identified by the NRC. You are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. Also, the violation as listed in the Notice is a repeat violation that was identified during the previous inspection of Your licensed Program. This was documented in the Notice of Violation in our Safety Inspection Report dated October 29, 2009. Although we had verified that you took corrective actions to address the previous violation, the current violation is of concern, because your preventative actions were not effective in preventing recurrence and indicate a lack of attention to detail. The NRC expects licensees to conduct their programs with meticulous attention to detail and high standards of safety and compliance.

During our inspection exit meeting on May 1, 2014, Mr. Woods indicated that the failure to submit the records of transfer was an oversight and that the electronic reminder system Champion Aerospace, Inc. implemented had malfunctioned after the previous inspection. Mr. Woods also indicated that after the electronic reminder system malfunctioned, the system was replaced with a new computer application designed to perform the same function; however, during the installation and setup of the new system, the reminder to submit the records to NRC was inadvertently omitted. You stated that you will take corrective and preventative actions to

address each violation and that Champion Aerospace, Inc. is committed to radiation safety and to compliance with NRC regulations and licensed conditions. Further, you stated verbally, that you have taken the following corrective and preventative actions:

- 1) implemented a "tickler" reminder to remind staff to submit annual reports to NRC; and
- 2) your office will submit records of transfer for the calendar years 2009 – 2013, within 30 days.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter, its enclosure(s), and your response, will be made available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the NRC document system (ADAMS), accessible from the NRC website at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To the extent possible, your response should not include any personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information so that it can be made available to the Public without redaction.

Current NRC regulations and guidance are included on the NRC's website at [www.nrc.gov](http://www.nrc.gov); select **Nuclear Materials; Med, Ind, & Academic Uses**; then **Regulations, Guidance and Communications**. The current Enforcement Policy is included on the NRC's website at [www.nrc.gov](http://www.nrc.gov); select **About NRC, Organizations & Functions; Office of Enforcement; Enforcement documents**; then **Enforcement Policy (Under 'Related Information')**. You may also obtain these documents by contacting the Government Printing Office (GPO) toll-free at 1-866-512-1800. The GPO is open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. EST, Monday through Friday (except Federal holidays).

Please contact Scott Wilson at 610-337-5136 if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

***Original signed by Blake Welling***

Blake Welling, Chief  
Commercial, Industrial, R&D and Academic Branch  
Division of Nuclear Materials Safety

Enclosure:  
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cc:  
Alan Woods, Radiation Safety Officer  
State of South Carolina

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## **NOTICE OF VIOLATION**

Champion Aerospace, Inc.  
Liberty, SC

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During an NRC inspection conducted on May 1, 2014, one violation of NRC requirements was identified. In accordance with the NRC Enforcement Policy, the violation is listed below:

10 CFR 32.16, states, in part, that each licensee shall maintain records of all transfers of byproduct material and file a report of transfer with the NRC covering the preceding calendar year on or before January 31 of each year in accordance with Items (a)(1) through (b)(3).

Contrary to the above, between October 29, 2009, and May 1, 2014, Champion Aerospace, Inc. failed to file a report of transfer covering the preceding calendar year in accordance with 10 CFR 32.16. Specifically, Champion Aerospace failed to file any reports of transfer with the NRC since October 29, 2009, the date of the previous NRC inspection. This is a repeat violation.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Enforcement Policy Section 6.3).

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Champion Aerospace, Inc. is hereby required to submit a written statement or explanation to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, D.C. 20555, with a copy to the Regional Administrator, Region I, **within 30 days** of the date of the letter transmitting this Notice of Violation (Notice). This reply should be clearly marked as a "Reply to a Notice of Violation" and should include for each violation: (1) the reason for the violation, or, if contested, the basis for disputing the violation, (2) the corrective steps that have been taken and the results achieved, (3) the corrective steps that will be taken to avoid further violations, and (4) the date when full compliance will be achieved. Your response may reference or include previous docketed correspondence, if the correspondence adequately addresses the required response. If an adequate reply is not received within the time specified in this Notice, an order or a Demand for Information may be issued as to why the license should not be modified, suspended, or revoked, or why such other action as may be proper should not be taken. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

If you contest this enforcement action, you should also provide a copy of your response to the Director, Office of Enforcement, United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001. Under the authority of Section 182 of the Act, 42 U.S.C. 2232, any response which contests an enforcement action shall be submitted under oath or affirmation.

Your response will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR) and on the NRC Web site. To the extent possible, it should, therefore, not include any personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information so that it can be made publically available without redaction. However, if you find it necessary to include such information, you should clearly indicate the specific information that you desire not to be placed in the PDR, and provide the legal basis to support your request for withholding the information from the public.

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In accordance with 10 CFR 19.11, you may be required to post this Notice within two working days of receipt.

Dated this 20th day of May 2014