



**UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

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September 25, 2015

Mr. Patrick Martin
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**SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT 030-14734/2015-001 AND
NOTICE OF VIOLATION**

Dear Mr. Martin:

This letter refers to the inspection conducted on June 17, 2015, at your facility in Missoula, Montana. Following the onsite inspection, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) conducted additional in-office reviews of the findings which included discussions with NRC Headquarters offices on August 19, 2015. The inspection was an examination of activities conducted under your license as they relate to safety and security and compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and with the conditions of the license. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selected examination of procedures and representative records, observation of licensed activities, and interviews with you and your staff. Preliminary inspection findings were discussed at the conclusion of the onsite inspection. A final telephonic exit briefing was conducted with you on August 25, 2015.

Based on the results of this inspection, the NRC has determined that four Severity Level IV violations of NRC requirements occurred. The violations were evaluated in accordance with the NRC Enforcement Policy. The current Enforcement Policy is included on the NRC's website at <http://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/regulatory/enforcement/enforce-pol.html>. The violations involved security-related information which will not be made publicly available. The violations are cited in the enclosed non-public Notice of Violation (Notice) because they were identified by the NRC during the inspection.

You are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. If you have additional information that you believe the NRC should consider, you may provide it in your response to the Notice. The NRC's review of your response to the Notice will also determine whether further enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements.

The Enclosed Notice contains Security-Related Information under 10 CFR 2.390(d)(1), and its disclosure to unauthorized individuals could present a security vulnerability. Therefore, the material in the enclosure will not be made available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the NRC's document system (ADAMS), accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

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If Security-Related Information is necessary to provide an acceptable response, please mark your entire response Security-Related Information in accordance with 10 CFR 2.390(d)(1) and follow the instructions for withholding in 10 CFR 2.390(b)(1). In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390(b)(1)(ii), the NRC is waiving the affidavit requirements for your response.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter or the enclosed Notice, please contact Jason Dykert at 817-200-1427 or the undersigned at 817-200-1130.

Sincerely,

/RA by JEWhitten Acting For/

G. Michael Vasquez, Chief
Nuclear Materials Safety Branch A
Division of Nuclear Materials Safety

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Enclosure:
Notice of Violation (Notice)

cc: Montana Radiation Control Program Director

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