

Munoz, Rick

From: Munoz, Rick
Sent: Friday, July 24, 2015 4:37 PM
To: Steve Green
Subject: RE: NRC Inspection
Attachments: ARS INTERNATIONAL INC.pdf

Steve,

I have completed the review of all the additional documents that were pending to complete the assessment of you NRC licensed activities. As discussed with you telephonically during the final exit briefing conducted on July 21, 2015, you will find the attached NRC Form 591M in reference to the NRC inspection conducted July 7-21, 2015, at your facility located at 2609 North River Road, in Port Allen, Louisiana. The inspection was an examination of activities conducted under your NRC license as it relates to safety, security and compliance with the Commissions' rules and regulations and with the conditions of the license. Within the scope of the this inspection, no violations were identified; therefore no response to this correspondence is required.

If you have any questions about the inspection or the 591M, please feel free to contact me.

Regards,

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From: Steve Green [mailto:sgreen@amrad.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 09, 2015 3:59 PM
To: Munoz, Rick
Subject: [External_Sender] ARS license and NRC letter

Munoz, Rick

From: Steve Green <sgreen@amrad.com>
Sent: Friday, July 10, 2015 11:28 AM
To: Munoz, Rick
Subject: [External_Sender] ARS data you requested

Hello Mr. Munoz:

Regarding the waste drums:

We have an inventory of the samples placed in the drums, so we know what is in the drums. Additionally when the drums are $\frac{1}{4}$ full, $\frac{1}{2}$ full, $\frac{3}{4}$ full, and full we sample them and analyze the samples in our lab. If you looked inside our storage area, you saw two drums outside the area posted Caution Radioactive Material. Those two drums are empty.

Regarding the Radiation Safety Committee:

I will first say our practice needs improvement. I will revise our SLDA Radiation Safety Plan by August 31, 2015 to require a quarterly meeting.

However:

According to our license condition 25, changes to our Radiation Safety Plan may be made as approved by the Radiation Safety Committee. Other than that, there is no license condition regarding a Radiation Safety Committee.

Our Radiation Safety Plan specifies that our Radiation Safety Committee consist of Danny Coleman, President ARS, Steve Shirley, Vice President, and myself, RSO. Our Radiation Safety Plan was revised in December 2014. The revisions were made just to update it for personnel changes (for example the Radiation Safety Officer changed). The Radiation Safety Plan is signed by the three members of the Radiation Safety Committee.

Our current Radiation Safety Plan for SLDA does not specify a meeting frequency of the Radiation Safety Committee. It is silent about a Radiation Safety Committee other than naming the members. So, while I will revise the plan to improve it, I believe we are in compliance with our Radiation Safety Plan and license condition 25.

Finally, the only work performed by us to date at SLDA involves collecting environmental air samples and TLDs designed to measure background radiation exposure rates. We also perform routine surveys and maintenance such as fence repair in uncontaminated areas. Thus, there is virtually no radiation exposure to individuals at the site.

If you have further questions, please call or email me.

Sincerely,

Steve Green
865-801-0011

Hello Munoz:

I attach the letter from NRC responding to our 14 day notification of intent to conduct work at the shallow land disposal area. I also attach my latest source inventory. Note that there are four sources located at SLDA.

I will provide you information regarding the content of the waste drums we discussed tomorrow. I do know that there is no waste in those drums related to work at a Federal site. The only Federal site we are working at is SLDA. No samples have ever been sent from SLDA to our lab in Port Allen, therefore, there is no radioactive material from SLDA at Port Allen.

I keep an inventory of the radioactive material in Port Allen to assure we do not exceed our possession limits. Tomorrow I will provide you more information about the drums of waste.

Sincerely,

Steve Green, CHP, CSP
865-801-0011

SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT AND COMPLIANCE INSPECTION

1. LICENSEE/LOCATION INSPECTED:

ARS International, Inc.
2609 North River Road
Port Allen, Louisiana 70767
Location: 212 Clendenning Road, Houma, Louisiana

REPORT NO: 030-38546/2015-001

2. NRC/REGIONAL OFFICE

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission - Region IV
1600 East Lamar Boulevard
Arlington, Texas 76011-4511

3. DOCKET NUMBER

030-38546

4. LICENSE NUMBER

17-29441-01

5. DATES OF INSPECTION

July 7-24, 2015

LICENSEE:

The inspection was an examination of the activities conducted under your license as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) rules and regulations and the conditions of your license. The inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspector. The inspection findings are as follows:

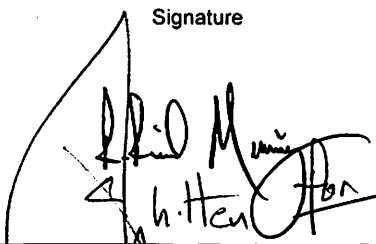
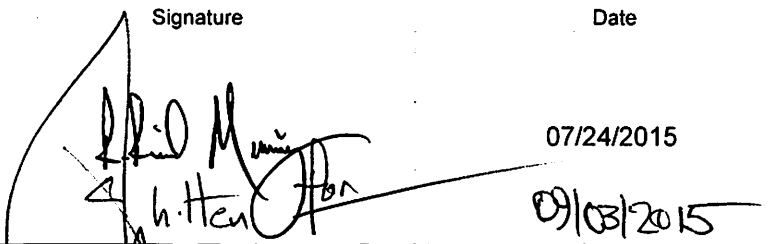
- 1. Based on the inspection findings, no violations were identified.
- 2. Previous violation(s) closed.
- 3. The violation(s), specifically described to you by the inspector as non-cited violations, are not being cited because they were self-identified, non-repetitive, and corrective action was or is being taken, and the remaining criteria in the NRC Enforcement Policy to exercise discretion, were satisfied.

Non-Cited Violation(s) was/were discussed involving the following requirement(s) and Corrective Action(s):

- 4. During this inspection certain of your activities, as described below and/or attached, were in violation of NRC requirements and are being cited. This form is a NOTICE OF VIOLATION, which may be subject to posting in accordance with 10 CFR 19.11.

Licensee's Statement of Corrective Actions for Item 4, above.

I hereby state that, within 30 days, the actions described by me to the inspector will be taken to correct the violations identified. This statement of corrective actions is made in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 2.201 (corrective steps already taken, corrective steps which will be taken, date when full compliance will be achieved). I understand that no further written response to NRC will be required, unless specifically requested.

Title	Printed Name	Signature	Date
LICENSEE'S REPRESENTATIVE			
NRC INSPECTOR	R. Rick Muñoz		07/24/2015
BRANCH CHIEF	G. Michael Vasquez		09/03/2015

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