



**UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

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March 22, 2016

Mr. Stephen E. Frysinger
Radiation Safety Officer
QUALSPEC, LLC
3445 Kashiwa St.
Torrance, CA 90505

SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO NRC INSPECTION REPORT 150-00004/2015-002 AND
NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Dear Mr. Frysinger:

On January 22, 2016, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) cited QUALSPEC, LLC, for two violations of NRC requirements. Inspection Report 150-00004/2015-002 with enclosed Notice of Violation required you to respond in writing in 30 days. You responded by letter dated February 17, 2016.

After reviewing the information you provided in your response to the Notice of Violation, we had some concerns that you did not understand some of NRC's requirements related to the cited violations. On February 18, 2016, Brooke G. Smith, Acting Branch Chief, and Janine F. Katanic, PhD, CHP, of my staff, called you to discuss this matter. During the call, the specific requirement and NRC's implementing guidance related to the requirement were discussed. This implementing guidance is summarized in the Enclosure. At the conclusion of the call, you acknowledged that you had an improper understanding of the requirement but had corrected the noncompliance regardless. Based on the information provided in your response and later clarified with you, we have concluded that your completed and proposed actions appear to adequately address the regulatory noncompliance described in the Notice of Violation. We will review your implementation of these corrective actions during a future inspection to determine whether full compliance has been restored and whether compliance will be maintained.

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If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Dr. Janine F. Katanic, PhD, CHP, of my staff at 817-200-1151 or the undersigned at 817-200-1191.

Sincerely,

/RA by JLThomas Acting For/

Ray L. Kellar, P.E., Chief
Nuclear Materials Safety Branch A
Division of Nuclear Materials Safety

Docket No: 150-00004

Enclosure:
Supplemental Guidance

cc:
State of California Radiation Control Program Director
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