UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD PARELSEP 23 P2:02

Before Administrative Judges:

Charles Bechhoefer, Presiding Officer Dr. Linda W. Little, Special Assistant

In the matter of:

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
Aberdeen Proving Ground,
Maryland

M22/GID-3 Automatic Chemical Agent Detector/Alarm

Docket No. 030-34610-ML

ASLBP No. 99-768-02-ML

September 23, 1999

MEMORANDUM

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At the prehearing conference on October 13, 1999, parties are requested to address the following:

- 1. Please address specifically and succinctly the factors, circumstances or regulations, if any, that changed between July 2, 1998, when NRC Staff discussed with the Army "an alternative approach of registering an internal cell module as the exempt use product," and May 17, 1999, when NRC Staff informed the Army that such an approach was not acceptable.
- 2. Whether there are other approaches by which the Army could achieve the result it appears to desire-e.g., by granting a user license collectively to all soldiers (not specifically identified by name) who may be called upon to use the ACADA device, subject to a requirement that all soldiers authorized to use the ACADA would be adequately trained before doing so.

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Written responses should be provided to the Presiding Officer, the Special Assistant, and other parties by close of business October 8, 1999.

Charles Bechhoefer
ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE
Presiding Officer

Rockville, Maryland September 23, 1999

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(Denial of Materials License)

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing LB MEMO RE PREH CONF ON 10/13 have been served upon the following persons by U.S. mail, first class, except as otherwise noted and in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR Sec. 2.712.

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