



September 21, 2011

Nuclear Materials Inspection Branch – Div. of Nuclear Materials Safety
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Region III
2443 Warrenville Road, Suite 210
Lisle, Illinois 60532-4352

**RE: Notification of Bankruptcy for Radioactive Materials License No. 21-17630-1
Escanaba Paper Company (NewPage Corporation) – Escanaba, MI**

Dear Sir or Madam:

This Notification of Bankruptcy is being submitted in order to comply with the requirements of 10 CFR 30.34(h).

On September 7, 2011 NewPage Corporation announced that its U.S. operations filed to reorganize under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code in order to restructure the company's debts. The petition was filed in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware

The licensed radiation sources remain in the possession and control of the licensee. No change in possession or control is expected or contemplated at this time. The Agency has not been named in the bankruptcy petition either as a creditor or in any other capacity. Operations are expected to continue as normal during the reorganization period.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter. If you have any questions or need additional information please call me at (906) 233-2839.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W. Darren Hendon'.

W. Darren Hendon
Radiation Safety Officer