

ATTN: Nuclear Regulatory Commission

Regarding NRC investigation 4-2018-002,

I, Timothy Murdock was working on the USS Harper's Ferry on the evening of 29th of August 2018. I was a part of a crew whom failed to adhere to Title 10 of 10 CFR Section 30.10, the NRC's rule on deliberate misconduct and Team Industrials Services' operating and emergency procedures. This was all in violation of license condition 25 of NRC material license 42-32219-01. I failed to recognize the gamma exposure device was left in the "unlocked" position when handed to me by [REDACTED] and transported it by hand onboard the USS Harper's Ferry. While on board, I was asked by my co-worker [REDACTED] whether I had the key to unlock it once at the final site where the exposures were to take place. I looked at the device and saw it was unlocked, I immediately stopped and locked the device. I know my role was to ensure the device was properly secured at the time of receiving it for transportation and failed to do so.

I hope to convey that I had no intent of causing harm or that I had ill or malicious intent. I have always held myself to a high regard and have served my country while in the US Army for over 8 years. I served as an Intelligence Analyst which required a high level security clearance. To obtain the clearance I had to undergo an investigation which, in part, detailed over my trustworthiness and integrity. I am saddened I failed to properly inspect the device, but with my failure I will fully recommit to ensuring another incident like this will never occur again.

The actions of myself and [REDACTED] have resulted in Team Industrial Services gave written and verbal warnings as well as additional training on the company's operating and emergency manual 30.j.2 chapter 13 (locking and securing radiographic devices) and chapter 14 (operating procedures for radiographic and x-ray equipment).

Regards,

Timothy Murdock

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Murdock', with a horizontal line drawn through the middle of the signature.