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In Reply Refer To: RII:RLW 52-13632-01

> Texas Pipe Bending Company of Puerto Rico, Inc. Attn: Thomas H. Noble, General Manager Real Anon Highway 511 Ponce, Puerto Rico 00731

Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Richard L. Woodruff of this office on August 1, 1979 of activities authorized by NRC License No. 52-13632-01 for the Texas Pipe Bending Company of Puerto Rico, Radiographic facility, and to the discussion of our findings held with Mike Jarrell at the conclusion of the inspection.

The inspection was an examination of the activities conducted under your license as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Commission's 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.

During the inspection, it was found that certain activities under your license appear to be in noncompliance with NRC requirements. These items and references to pertinent requirements are listed in the Notice of Violation enclosed herewith as Appendix A. This notice is sent to you pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.201 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice", Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. Section 2.201 requires you to submit to this office, within 20 days of your receipt of this notice, a written statement or explanation in reply including: (1) corrective steps which have been taken by you, and the results achieved; (2) corrective steps which will be taken to avoid further noncompliance; and (3) the date when full compliance will be achieved.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice", Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room. If this letter contains any information that you believe to be proprietary, it is necessary that you make a written application within 20 days to this office to withhold such information from public disclosure. Any such application must include a full statement of the reasons on the basis of which it is claimed that the information is proprietary, and should be 2176

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is contained in a separate part of the document. If we do not hear from you in this regard within the specified period, the letter will be placed in the Public Document Room.

Should you have any questions concerning this letter, we will be glad to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

J. T. Sutherland, Chief Fuel Facility and Materials Safety Branch

Enclosure: Appendix A, Notice of Violation