

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION REGION IV 611 RYAN PLAZA DRIVE, SUITE 1000 ARLINGTON, TEXAS 76012

November 2, 1979

License No. 49-17609-01

Oil Well Perforators, Inc. Attn: Mr. B. R. Putnum P. O. Box 399 Mills, Wyoming 82644

Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Ms. Jean Dawson of this office on September 28, 1979, of the activities authorized by NRC Byproduct Material License No. 49-17609-01 and to the discussion of our findings held by Ms. Dawson with Messrs. B. R. Putnum and C. Schroder on September 28, 1979.

The inspection was an examination of the activities conducted under the license as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations, and the conditions of the license. The inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews of personnel, independent measurements and observations by the inspector.

Ms. Dawson also reviewed the action you had taken with respect to four items of noncompliance observed during our previous inspection, which was conducted July 15 and 16, 1976. She verified that the corrective action with respect to three of these items was implemented as stated in your reply of August 4, 1976 to our letter dated July 28, 1976. However, it was observed that one item of noncompliance had recurred during the period covered by this inspection. The recurring item of noncompliance and reference to the pertinent requirements are listed on the enclosed Notice of Violation.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that one of your activities was not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements, as set forth in the Notice of Violation, enclosed herewith. This item of noncompliance has been categorized into the level as described in the correspondence to you dated December 31, 1974. No response is required for this item since it was corrected prior to completion of the inspection.

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Should you have any questions concerning this letter, please let me know.

Sincerely,

R.S. Einth for Glen D. Brown, Chief

Fuel Facility and Material Safety Branch

Enclosure: Notice of Violation

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