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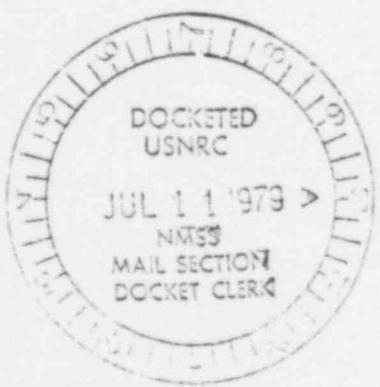
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From: Commanding Officer, USS SAMUEL GOMPERS (AD-37)
To: Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555
(Attn: Mr. Charles E. MacDonald, Chief Transportation Branch
Division of Fuel Cycle and Material Safety, NMSS)
Subj: Quality Assurance (QA) Program for use, maintenance and repair of
shipping packages for certain special forms radioactive material
used for industrial radiography
Ref: (a) NRC ltr FCTR:RHO 71-0085 dtd 13 April 1979
(b) AD37INST 9900.5 dated 4 August 1978
Encl: (1) Revised QA Program Audit Plan

1. Reference (a) requested additional information concerning the audit plan for SAMUEL GOMPERS' Quality Assurance Program as implemented by reference (b). The additional information regarding audits is attached as enclosure (1), and will be incorporated as Section H of reference (b).

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SECTION "H" AUDITS

a. Periodicity of Audits.

1. The Audits of the Quality Assurance Program as set forth in this procedure will be conducted at least once each year. The purpose of the audit shall be to identify the degree of compliance with AD37INST 9900.1C. and 9900.5.

b. Personnel to Conduct the Audit.

1. The audits specified by this procedure shall be performed by an auditor having no responsibility in the Radiography Organization. The auditor will be assigned by the licensee.

c. Areas to be Covered in the Audit.

1. Activities of the Radiographic Safety Officer, Senior Radiographer, Source Shipping Petty Officer, Radiographers, Radiographer's Assistances and Sential Monitors, using AD37INST 9900.1C (Gamma-Radiography Operating Procedures, Emergency Procedures, Administrative Control, Inspection and Maintenance of Radiographic equipment, and Radiation Protection, procedures for) as it pertains to shipping, receiving, storing and handling special form radioactive material in approved containers.

2. Training as required by AD37INST 9900.1C.

3. Records required by AD37INST 9900.1C.

4. Audit plan should be in a step signature format. The auditor shall prepare a comprehensive audit check list utilizing AD37INST 9900.1C as it pertains to the areas listed in C.1, C.2 and C.3 above. In addition the audit check list will include the requirements of AD37INST 9900.5 to determine compliance in the following areas.

(a) Document control associated with shipping and receiving.

(b) Handling, storage and shipping of certain special form radioactive material in approved shipping containers.

(c) Inspection, test and operating status of shipping containers.

(d) Quality Assurance Records required.

(e) Quality Assurance Audits.

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d. Personnel to receive copies of Audit.

1. The auditor shall send his audit to the licensee with a copy to the Radiographic Safety Officer.

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Enclosure (1)

e. Reply to Audit deficiencies.

1. The Radiographic Safety Officer shall reply in writing to the licensee with a copy to the auditor. The written reply will include corrective action taken.

f. Maintenance of audits.

1. The Radiographic Safety Officer will maintain a copy of all audit reports for a period of three (3) years.

Enclosure (1)