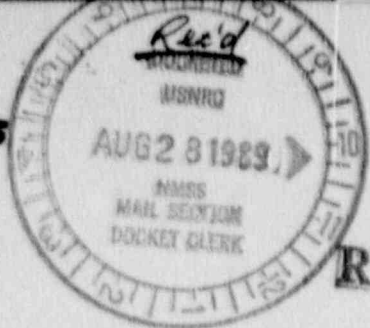


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August 8, 1989
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Mr. Donald J. Kasun, Acting Chief
Domestic Safeguards and Regional
Oversight Branch
Division of Safeguards and Transportation,
NMSS
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Subject: Docket No. 70-734: SNM-696; Report of Change

Dear Mr. Kasun:

Mr. Alex Galli, General Atomics' (GA) Manager of Security, recently announced his intent to retire. Mr. Galli and I have discussed, by telephone, his imminent retirement with various members of NRC Headquarters and Region V staff. The purpose of this letter is to officially notify you of Mr. Galli's retirement on July 28, 1989.

As you are aware, GA recently reduced the inventory of special nuclear material on its site to less than five formula kilograms. Accordingly, GA's status changed from a Category I to a Category II/III facility. With the diminished threat and therefore safeguards requirements, the circumstances were conducive to Mr. Galli's desire to retire.

The responsibilities for implementing GA's Category II/III physical protection plan have been assumed by Captain William Stowe of the Security organization and Mr. Rodney Rademacher, Vice President of Human Resources. The Security organization remains essentially unchanged from that described in GA's Category II/III physical protection plan (i.e., Fig. I 4-1). In addition to supervising the members of the security force, Captain Stowe will assume additional responsibilities relating to the security of GA's Category II/III facility. Captain Stowe will be working closely with and reporting to Mr. Rademacher, who will assume the responsibilities of the Manager of Security.

Captain Stowe has served in a supervisory capacity at a Category I facility for four years and has been involved in providing security at a nuclear fuels facility since

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joining GA in 1979. Prior to joining GA, Captain Stowe spent 20 years in the military, with his assignment being related to security operations. His performance at GA has demonstrated that he is quite capable of assuming additional responsibilities.

As an additional measure to facilitate a smooth transition and to further assure that there is no diminution of GA's security program, Mr. Galli is available as a consultant. He resides in the immediate area and is available to provide assistance.

If you should have any questions regarding the above, please contact me at (619) 455-2823.

Very truly yours,

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