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Mr. Harold Denton  
Director of Governmental and  
Public Affairs  
Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
1717 H Street, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Denton:

I am writing on behalf of Mr. James B. Griffith, Sr., who contacted me with regard to some concerns he has for a possible recent action by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. I have enclosed a copy of his letter to me.

According to his letter, Mr. Griffith feels that he deserved recognition for his contribution in the development of a patentable process of 100% testing of all electronic components for use in the Nuclear Power Generation Industry. He has heard that the rights of standardization he developed and sold to Duke Power have been obtained by the NRC from Camco, Inc., Houston, Texas. He is interested in verifying this information and obtaining some sort of recognition from the NRC for the development of the process.

Any information you can offer is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Alex McMillan  
Member of Congress

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Congressman Alex McMillan  
Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives  
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Dear Congressman McMillan:

I would like to call to your attention circumstances whereby I feel I made a worthwhile contribution to our nation and due to the gigantic magnitude of red tape involved with any federal agency my efforts were ignored or inadvertently not recognized.

Permit me to give a brief background of how this contribution was made by me: In early 1968, I formed my own business under the name of J & P Associates, Inc. My company name was derived by using the initials of my two children, James, Jr. and Patrick. My wife and I were the sole owners of the business. It was incorporated in February 1968 in Columbia, South Carolina and J & P Associates, Inc. was domesticated under the laws of North Carolina when I became a resident of North Carolina. The purpose of my business was to market process control instrumentation and systems as an Independent Manufacturer Sales Representative for several manufacturers of non-conflicting products receiving monetary compensation solely on commission from my sales in the states of North Carolina and South Carolina.

In early 1969 in pursuit of manufacturers to represent as a sales representative, I contacted Camco, Incorporated, 7010 Ardmore, Houston, Texas, regarding representation in North Carolina and South Carolina and was granted the right to market Camco Products in North Carolina and South Carolina. At that time, Camco manufactured equipment and systems exclusively for the oil field production industry and the natural gas distribution industry. In my work process of introducing Camco's Products to industries in my area, I DISCOVERED A PROCESS OF 100% TESTING OF ALL ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS which Camco was adapting to their oil field equipment. When I DISCOVERED THIS PROCESS OF 100% TESTING OF ALL ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS, I felt confident that this discovery would be of great value to the Nuclear Power Generating Industry. At that time the Nuclear Power Generation Industry was in its infancy and Duke Power's First Nuclear Generating Plant, Oconee Nuclear Plant in South Carolina was on the drawing board. I immediately contacted Mr. H. J. Park, Chief Instrument Engineer at Duke Power's Charlotte, N. C. Office regarding possible application of Camco equipment at the Oconee Nuclear Plant. After many hours of preliminary work, I was able to obtain an order from Duke Power for two Supervisory Control and Monitoring Systems to be used by Duke Power Company between its Oconee Nuclear Station (Masters) and the Keowee Hydro Station (Remotes). These systems I sold to Duke Power introduced my DISCOVERED PROCESS OF 100% TESTING OF ALL ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS to the Nuclear Power Generation Industry.

The Atomic Energy Commission Agents (AEC changed to Nuclear Regulatory Commission 1974) working with Duke Power's Engineers at Oconee learned of my PROCESS OF 100% TESTING OF ALL ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS that were incorporated into the manufacturing process of the supervisory control and monitoring systems that I sold Duke Power. I have heard by word of mouth that the AEC Agents contacted Camco Inc., Houston, Texas and obtained the rights of standardization of this PROCESS OF 100% TESTING OF ALL ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS

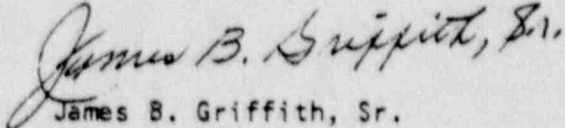
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for use by the AEC as basic standardized quality control specification requirements for all electronic components used in Nuclear Power Generation Facilities throughout the United States.

If this above mentioned PROCESS was indeed adapted as a basic quality control specification, I feel that I deserve recognition for my efforts in introducing a patentable PROCESS OF 100% TESTING OF ALL ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS for use in the Nuclear Power Generation Industry. (This was a patentable PROCESS - a new PROCESS for a new industry.)

Your assistance in the verification of the adaptation of the above mentioned PROCESS standardization along with the effective date of the adaptation of the above mentioned PROCESS by the Atomic Energy Commission, now the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

  
James B. Griffith, Sr.