

October 6, 1980

OFFICE OF INSPECTION AND ENFORCEMENT  
NOTIFICATION OF SIGNIFICANT ENFORCEMENT ACTION

EN-80-48

Licensee: Rio Algom Corporation, Moab, Utah  
License No. SUA-1119

Subject: PROPOSED IMPOSITION OF CIVIL PENALTIES - \$7,100

This is to inform the Commission that a Notice of Violation and a Notice of Proposed Imposition of Civil Penalties in the amount of Seven Thousand One Hundred Dollars will be issued on or about October 8, 1980, to Rio Algom Corporation. This action is based on alleged items of noncompliance involving failure to evaluate contamination on workers prior to leaving the site, failure to evaluate exposure of individuals, failure to evaluate airborne concentrations of radioactive materials, failure to make required inspections of tailing ponds, failure to maintain restricted area fencing, failure to conduct personnel monitoring programs, failure to report results of personnel monitoring and failure to correctly calculate concentrations of airborne radioactivity. A news release has been prepared and will be issued about the time the licensee receives the Notices. The State of Utah will be notified.

It should be noted that the licensee has not been specifically informed of the enforcement action. The schedule of issuance and notification is:

Action Signed	10/6/80
Mailing of Notices	10/8/80
Telephone Notification of Licensee	10/8/80
Telephone Notification of State	10/8/80
NRC News Release to be made following Licensee Notification	

The licensee has 25 days from the date of the Notices in which to respond. Following NRC Staff evaluation of the response, the civil penalties may be remitted, mitigated or imposed by Order.

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