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Gentlemen:

Due to the unavailability of authorized personnel monitoring film from the Naval Supply System, the Armed Forces Radiobiology Research Institute shall be forced to extend the film badge period ending 4 July 1975 contrary to 10CFR20.3(a)(4). For further information see the attached letter.

This action will affect the following licenses:

19-08330-02 19-08330-03 SMB-670 SNM-706 Reactor License R-4

Sincerely,

LESTER A. SLABACK, Jr.

Radiological Safety Department

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DISPOSITION FORM

(AR 340-15)

continued personnel radiological monitoring.

REFERENCE OR OFFICE SYMBOL

SUBJECT

SAF

Unavailability of Personnel Monitoring Film

TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAF

DATE 20 June 1975 Slaback/mez/51285 CMT 1

1. The apparent unavailability of personnel monitoring film (Koday-Type 3) from the naval supply system will put us in violation of Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) regulations as of 4 July 1975. Supply problems with this item (stock number 6665-935-4327) in the past have now apparently culminated in its total unavailability within our time constraints. Because of restrictions put on us by the group processing and evaluating the film, we cannot opt for alternative sources of supply. Consequently, we are forced into the very questionable extension of our film badge period in order to provide

- 2. Aside from the problem induced by its unavailability, the excessive manpower that has been expended by various groups in an attempt to procure this film is totally unreasonable. This particular aspect of the problem appears to have been aggravated by an apparent lack of communication as to just what was the basic problem.
- 3. Although the proposed 10CFR21 Reports of Defects and Noncompliance (40FR8833) has not been implemented as yet, it is clear that the result of the unavailability of this film would be a reportable incident to the NRC.

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