



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

REGION IV
611 RYAN PLAZA DRIVE, SUITE 400
ARLINGTON, TEXAS 76011-8064

FEB 9 1994

Docket: 030-32334
License: 11-27394-01

Northwest Inspection and
Testing Services, Inc.
ATTN: William Shamel, President
P.O. Box 50799
Idaho Falls, Idaho 83405

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT 030-32334/94-01 (NOTICE OF VIOLATION)

This refers to the routine, unannounced inspection conducted by Mr. Robert A. Brown of this office on January 19-20, 1994. The inspection included a review of activities authorized by Byproduct Materials License 11-27394-01. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with members of your staff.

The inspection was an examination of activities conducted under the license as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and the conditions of the license. The inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews of personnel, independent measurements, and observation of activities in progress.

Based on the results of this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice). The violation relates to the failure to have an NRC-approved quality assurance program for shipping packages. This failure is of concern because compliance with this requirement helps ensure the safe transportation of radioactive materials.

You are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. In your response, you should document the specific actions taken and any additional actions you plan to prevent recurrence. After reviewing your response to this Notice, including your proposed corrective actions and the results of future inspections, the NRC will determine whether further NRC enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with NRC regulatory requirements.

This inspection included observation of industrial radiography in progress at a temporary jobsite in Idaho Falls. The inspector observed that all appropriate warning signs and barricades were in place. Also, the radiography crew wore all required, calibrated personnel dosimetry and had proper survey meters which were used to conduct surveys after each exposure.

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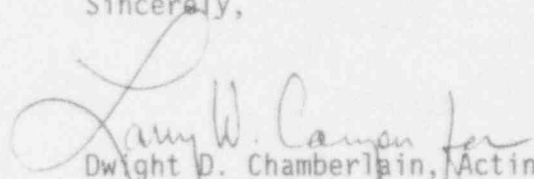
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In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

The responses directed by this letter and the enclosed Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, Pub. L. No. 96.511.

Should you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact the inspector identified above at (817) 860-8100.

Sincerely,


Dwight D. Chamberlain, Acting Director
Division of Radiation Safety
and Safeguards

Enclosure:
Appendix - Notice of Violation

cc:
Idaho Radiation Control Program Director

bcc:
DMB - Original (IE-07)
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