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EA No. 90-131

License No. 37-00276-25

Professional Services Industries, Incorporated (PSI)  
ATTN: David Price, Radiation Safety Director  
510 East 22nd Street  
Lombard, Illinois 60148

Gentlemen:

Subject: Enforcement Conference on August 21, 1990

On October 4, 1988, Messrs. David Collins, Thomas Thompson, and John Miller on this office conducted a routine safety inspection at your facility at 650 Elmwood Avenue, Sharon Hill, Pennsylvania and at a temporary job site in Phoenixville, Pennsylvania, of activities authorized by the above listed license. The findings of the inspection were discussed with you and Mr. Ronald Eavey, the site Radiation Safety Officer, in a telephone discussion on October 11, 1988; and are described in the NRC Inspection Report No. 030-05985/88-002, included as Enclosure 1.

The findings of the inspection indicate that certain of your activities were not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements, as identified in the report. The inspection also identified several discrepancies relative to the conduct of required periodic observations (audits) of the performance of radiography personnel. Since these discrepancies were suspected to be the result of an attempt to falsify records and information, this matter was referred to our Office of Investigations (OI) for further inquiry.

Based on their investigation, OI concluded that the former Assistant Radiation Safety Officer (ARSO) intentionally and willfully falsified several audits of personnel performance of radiography operations (quarterly safety audits), improperly represented and documented his own performance of radiography to meet the audit requirement, made material false statements to OI investigators during the course of the inquiry, and falsified part of a training record pertaining to a radiographer. As a result of these findings, OI determined that the licensee failed to adhere to the license condition requiring quarterly safety audits, and the Radiation Safety Officer (RSO) acted with careless disregard for his responsibilities by not assuring that the ARSO was properly performing radiation safety activities that were delegated to him. The synopsis of OI's Investigation, Case No. 1-88-017, is included as Enclosure 2.

These findings, which involve the completeness, accuracy, and veracity of information provided to the NRC, raise questions regarding the ability and willingness of Professional Service Industries, Incorporated to comply with NRC requirements for complete and accurate

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information. Therefore, as discussed between you and John R. White of our office on July 24, 1990, these matters will be reviewed at an Enforcement Conference at our office in King of Prussia, Pennsylvania at 10:00 a.m. on August 21, 1990.

The purposes of this Enforcement Conference are (1) to assure that we have an accurate understanding of the facts pertinent to OI's findings, and (2) to determine if there are mitigating or extenuating circumstances that should be considered by the NRC in determining the appropriate enforcement action. To this end, you should be prepared to discuss (1) any clarification or amplification of the facts as reported, (2) any pertinent factual errors or omissions, (3) any pertinent new information, and (4) any supportable differing opinion relative to interpretation of the facts. More importantly, you should be prepared to discuss the findings set forth in the enclosed synopsis, your assessment of their root causes, and the details of any corrective measures taken or planned.

We acknowledge the fact that the former ARSO has retired from your company. However, we understand that you and appropriate representatives from PSI's corporate office and the Sharon Hill field office will attend this meeting. This conference will be transcribed, and you will be provided a copy of the transcription.

Enforcement action for these findings will be considered by the NRC following this conference. The NRC Enforcement Policy as described in Appendix C of 10 CFR 2, and directions to the NRC office are included as Enclosures 3 and 4, respectively.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790, a copy of this letter and Enclosures 1 and 2 will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room. No reply to this letter is required. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By

*Richard W. Cooper*

Malcolm R. Knapp, Director  
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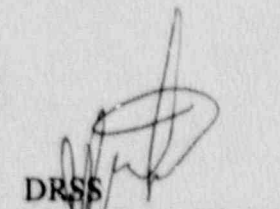
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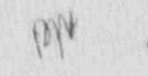
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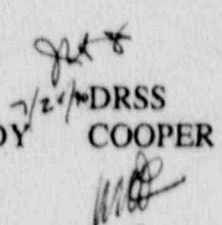
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