

March 10, 1994

Mr. Kenneth Ewald
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Dear Mr. Ewald:

This letter documents a phone conversation between you and Deirdre Spaulding of my staff on March 3, 1994, regarding clarification of information presented during the February 17, 1994 meeting between Rosemount, Inc. and the NRC staff to discuss Rosemount transmitter issues. This clarification relates to the discussion in the summary of the February 17, 1994 meeting which was documented in a memorandum dated February 25, 1994.

During the phone conversation, you identified the following clarifications:

- (1) In the meeting held on February 17, 1994, results were presented for all Rosemount transmitters that failed for any reason due to low oil level, and not just fill-oil loss.
- (2) Of the six post-1989 Model 1153B/D and 1154 transmitters that failed, three were due to broken fill tubes, and three were due to glass to metal seal failures (one confirmed and two assumed, for which Rosemount has not been able to replicate a glass to metal seal failure for these transmitters).
- (3) Four failures have occurred in Model 1153 and 1154 transmitters due to low oil level that were not the result of oil leakage.

We appreciate the attention that you have given this issue, and look forward to continued interaction with you.

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