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Attention: Mr. Walter J. Pasciak, Chief Industrial Application Section Division of Radiation Safety and Safeguards

Subject: Docket No. 030-19223 INspection No. 030-19223/94-001 NRC License: 20-19778-01

Dear Mr. Pasciak;

This letter is written in answer to the notice of Violation from Mr.Richard Gibson. audit of March 3, 1994.

The field audits in questions should have begin on January 7, 1994 through March 3, 1994. During this time we performed nine field trips. During this period it became extremely difficult to perform field audits due to various business constraints as well as severe weather conditions of extreme cold and snow. We also had several projects of emergency nature requiring the use of radiography which made it difficult to plan audits.

We are also involved in a classified project at this time which required government audits, procedures to be written and various technical exchanges which made it difficult to plan time for audits.

The next field trip that requires a crew will be audited. The crews are checked on charts and put on a daily calendar which shows when the audits are due. We will achieve full compliance within thirty (30) days of this letter.

We thank you for the thorough audit conducted by Mr. Richard Gibson on March 3, 1994. It was very professional and informative.

If I may be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at any time.

Very truly yours, Talen Ched ~

Carleton A. Richardson Radiation Safety Officer

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APPENDIX A

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

ABC Testing, Inc. Bridgewater, MA 02324 Docket No. 030-19223 License No. 20-19778-01

During an NRC inspection conducted on March 3, 1994, a violation of NRC requirements was identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C, the violation is listed below:

10 CFR 34.11 (d)(1) requires, in part, that an applicant have an inspection program that requires the observation of the performance of each radiographer and radiographer's assistant during an actual radiographic operation at intervals not to exceed three months.

Contrary to the above, as of March 3, 1994, the licensee had not observed the performance of the radiographers involved in radiographic operations since October 7, 1993, an interval in excess of three months.

This is a Severity Level IV violation. (Supplement VI)

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, ABC Testing, Inc. is hereby required to submit a written statement or explanation to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, D.C. 20555, with a copy to the Regional Administrator, Region I, within 30 days of the date of the letter transmitting this Notice of Violation (Notice). This reply should be clearly marked as a "Reply to a Notice of Violation" and should include for each violation: (1) the reason for the violation, or, if contested, the basis for disputing the violation, (2) the corrective steps that have been taken and the results achieved, (3) the corrective steps that will be taken to avoid further violations, and (4) the date when full compliance will be achieved. If an adequate reply is not received within the time specified in this Notice, an order or a Demand for Information may be issued to show cause why the license should not be modified, suspended, or revoked, or why such other action as may be proper should not be taken. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

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