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___ Notification of Unusual Event
___ Alert
___ Site Area Emergency
___ General Emergency
X Not Applicable

FACILITY: U. S. Ecology, Inc.
Beatty, Nevada Burial Site
State of Nevada Licensee

SUBJECT: BANNING OF GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY, VALLECITOS NUCLEAR CENTER
(NRC AND STATE OF CALIFORNIA LICENSEE) FROM BURIAL OF LOW-LEVEL
WASTE SHIPMENTS

The Region V office was notified by the State of Nevada by letter dated October 14, 1982 that a shipment of low-level radioactive waste, which was received on October 12, 1982 from General Electric Vallecitos Nuclear Center, Pleasanton, CA, contained a box with a hole in the side. The State inspector identified the violation of DOT regulation 49 CFR 173.392 (c)(1), and Article 2.5.2.1 of the State of Nevada Regulation Governing Use of State-Owned Area for Disposal of Radioactive Waste. An administrative penalty of \$1500.00 has been levied against General Electric, Vallecitos and the waste disposal permit has been suspended indefinitely.

There has been no media interest.

The Region V office was notified of the action taken by the State of Nevada by letter received October 18, 1982.

This notification is submitted for information only and is closed for reporting purposes.

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