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MEMORANDUM FOR: File

THRU: Hollis Bowers, AD/Investigations
Office of Inspector and Auditor

FROM: Mark E. Resner, Investigator
Office of Inspector and Auditor

SUBJECT: ITT GRINNELL INDUSTRIAL PIPING, INC. -
FALSIFIED RADIOGRAPHS

On November 8, 1982, I contacted Donald Driskill, Investigator, Office of Investigations (OI), Region IV, regarding the captioned subject. I explained to him that OIA is presently reviewing this case for possible referral to the Department of Justice. In conducting that review, I noted that our most recent information related to the case was a July 19, 1982 memorandum from E. H. Johnson, then Director, Investigation and Enforcement Staff, Region IV. In that memorandum there is information related to the case which indicates further investigation by OI is necessary to complete the case and before OIA can make a complete review of the case (see paragraph 2 and 3 attachment). Driskill was informed of the specific information which I was referring to and indicated that he was unaware of that information, but perhaps Dick Herr, Acting Director, OI, Region IV, was aware of it. I subsequently insured that a copy of that memorandum with attachments was rapifaxed to Driskill on November 8, 1982.

On November 9, 1982, I recontacted Herr who indicated that he had received the information rapifaxed by OIA and was aware of the contents. Herr said that he will interview Mr. Thielsch (see paragraph 2 - attachment) on November 10, 1982. With regard to additional radiograph enhancement as identified by the NRC Resident Inspector at Susquehanna (see paragraph 3 - attachment) he stated that he spoke with E. H. Johnson, IE, Region IV, concerning this issue and Johnson informed him that a response (corrective action) is forthcoming from the licensee involved and requested Herr to review that information before conducting further investigation at this point in time. I expressed a viewpoint to Herr that completion of the investigation should not be predicated on NRC's receipt of the licensee's corrective action. He agreed and indicated that he was ready to investigate the issue, however, Johnson, Region IV, initially supervised the investigation and in this instance he (Herr) was attempting to coordinate with Johnson regarding the technical considerations of the case. Herr stated that he will forward the information I requested as he obtains it.

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