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November 18, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR: James G. Keppler, Regional Administrator, Region III

FROM:

Eugene T. Pawlik, Director, Office of Investigations Field

Office, Region III

SUBJECT:

ALLEGATIONS BY A FORMER MIDLAND EMPLOYEE CONCERNING ALLEGED

IMPROPER TERMINATION

Reference is made to your November 3, 1983 memorandum to me wherein you requested that the Office of Investigations pursue whether or not the individual identified within that memorandum was improperly terminated from the Zack Company. Upon review of that memo and its attached Transcript of Interview the Region III Office of Investigations will combine that allegation with an investigation of a similar nature currently reported as Office of Investigations Case No. 3-82-057.

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By PAUL RAU Daily News staff writer

A civil suit filed Tuesday in Cook County, Ill., Circuit Court names as defendants Consumers Power Co., one of its Midland employees and a Midland nuclear piant subcontractor.

The wrongful discharge suit was brought by Albert "Terry" Howard and Sharon Marello, two former employees of the Zack Co. based near Chicago. Zack, which supplies and installs ductwork at the Midland plant, also was named in the suit.

Other defendants are Zack Co. President Christine Zack DeZutel and Hank Leonard, a Consumers Power Co. employee in Midland.

Consumers Power and Zack declined comment on the suit.

Howard and Marello are seeking in excess of \$15,000 each, according to their attorney, Sandy VandeKauter of the law firm Harvey L. Walner & Associates Ltd. of Chicago. The suit does not seek their reinstatement to their former jobs at Zack headquarters in Chicago.

Howard. Marello and two other Zack employees not involved in the suit were fired by Zack on April 29, 1982, after they had complained to supervisors and Consumers Power about falsified documents in the documentation section where they worked.

Zack has had a history of trouble keeping proper records of materials it supplied for nuclear plants. Federal law requires complete verification of materials used in safety-related nuclear plant systems. The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission fined Consumers Power \$38,000 in January 1981 for a series of paperwork and construction violations committed by Zack.

The NRC is investigating the allegations made by Howard, Marello and others.

Zack hired four persons in October 1981 to clean up its document situation, including Howard and Marello: Howard, a retired educator and real estate constitution. was made supervisor of the Quality Assurance (QA) documentation section.

Howard told the Daily News last year that the Zack documents were in a "horrendous mess." He said many documents were missing and thousands more had been altered and falsified.

He said he was assured by Mrs. DeZutel that Zack would not interfere with the work of his department, but that his team was harassed by Zack management because the team refused to cover up the document deficiencies.

In April 1981, Howard said, Leonard of Consumers Power promised him confidentiality and protection from reprisals if he would report the document problems through the utility's Midland Project Quality Assurance Department (MPQAD).

At the time, Leonard was Heating, Ventilating and Air Conditioning (HVAC) Quality Assurance section head. Since then he has been promoted to HVAC QA superintendant.

Two weeks after the problems were reported to Consumers' MPQAD, Zack fired its entire QA documentation section. "We were obviously canned because we knew too much. We were retaliated against," Howard said in 1982.

MS. VANDEKAUTER, speaking for her clients, said Howard and Marello decided to sue when Zack's law firm, Jenner & Biock, ignored attempts to arrive at an "amicable settlement" of their grievances. Ms. VandeKauter said her calls and letters were not returned by the firm.

She said the two have suffered emotional trauma and financial difficulty since their firings. "Good employees were left without a job in bad economic times for no reason." Ms. VandeKauter said.

She noted that Howard, who has 10 children, moved his family from Massachusetts to Chicago when Consumers offered him a new career in the nuclear industry, and then moved back after being on the job less than a year.

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TITLE:

Manager-Record Systems, Quality Assurance, Eack Co., Chicago and subsidiary clie t sites.

DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES: To initiate and promulgate an effective records system for The Zack Co. and applicable clients in the realm of nuclear-related manufacturervendor-client field.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Directly interface with the Quality Assurance Manager and related personnel in order to carry out the expected duties.

IV. EXPECTATIONS:

To be concerned with and be knowledgeable in all aspects of procurement, manufacturin , vendor identity, fabrication, sub-contracting and client acceptance in the nuclear industry. To become - knowledgeable and proficient in Federal Regulatory · Statutes as they relate to the commercial/nuclear industry.

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