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Re: Response to an apparent violation in inspection Report No. 030-30133/96-01

Dear Mr. Brown:

The apparent violation was that the portable moisture/density gauge was stored in an unlocked case in an unlocked vehicle at a temporary job site and the gauge user did not have the device under his immediate surveillance. An interview with the operator was conducted immediately to determine the reasons for the violation. After reviewing all the circumstances it was determined that neglect was the main cause of the violation. A review session was conducted with that gauge user covering the correct storage, transportation, operating and emergency procedures for the gauge. We then did a review of our company records, policies and procedures concerning the nuclear gauge. It was decided that users of the gauge within NJS Engineering have completed adequate training and certification by the gauge manufacturer. However, we felt that post training was lacking in our company policy. We immediately set up a training session with all company employees certified to use the nuclear moisture/density gauge. This meeting was to review the correct storage, transportation, operating and emergency procedures for the nuclear gauge. The meeting was held on November 19, 1996. All certified gauge users for NJS Engineering attended.

We have decided as a corrective action to add a company policy that twice a year we will conduct a training session to cover correct storage, transportation, operating and emergency producers for the nuclear gauge. It was decided that it is necessary for all NJS Engineering employees, certified and non-certified to attend. The reason being that in the event the gauge needs to be delivered to a certified operator at a temporary job site, all employees know the correct procedures for the gauge. In addition to the training sessions the Owner and Radiation Safety Officer will make periodic on site inspections to assure proper procedures are being followed.

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We feel that the actions we have taken and those we intend to take will correct the cause of the violation and prevent others from occurring.

Sincerely,

NJS Engineering

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