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DESCRIPTION OF VIOLATIONS

Nuclear Fuel Services, Incorporated West Valley, New York Docket No. 50-201

Certain activities under your license appear to be in noncompliance with AEC license requirements, as indicated below:

1. Technical Specification 4.13.3 requires that solid radioactive waste to be buried shall be placed in packages which shall prevent dispersion of contents and prevent contamination of handlers.

Contrary to the above, grossly contaminated cement blocks sent for burial which had been formerly used in an acid recovery cell, were packaged only in plastic which had torn prior to transfer. The transfer on July 26, 1972 resulted in one handler being contaminated both on his clothing and person.

 Technical Specification 5.1.1 requires that all batches of liquid previously in contact with process equipment be analyzed for radioactivity prior to disposal to unrestricted areas.

Contrary to the above, the water siphoned from the filter media and released to the ground on June 15 and 16, 1972 was not analyzed for radioactivity prior to release.

3. Technical Specification 7.1.2 requires that procedures be maintained under the overall direction of the general manager covering standard operating procedures, letters of authorization, runsheets, special work procedures, and extended work procedures where nuclear criticality or radiation safety are considerations. Paragraph 8.2.5.4 of the Health and Safety procedures requires items being transferred for burial be surveyed both for radiation levels and removable contamination.

Contrary to the above, cement blocks removed from an acid recovery system on June 26, 1972 were not surveyed for removable contamination prior to transfer for burial.

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