



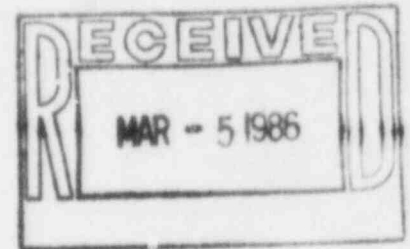
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Regional Administrator
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
611 Ryan Plaza Drive, Suite 1000
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Attn: Larry Yandell



Docket No. 50-267

SUBJECT: LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

REFERENCE: TELEPHONE CONVERSATIONS OF
JANUARY 10 AND 28, 1986

Dear Sir:

This letter is written in an effort to document our understanding of three areas of concern recently discussed between Mr. Larry Yandell and Mr. Don Alps of our respective staffs.

An inquiry was made on January 10, 1986 by Mr. Don Alps to Mr. Yandell regarding the Guidance provided pertaining to openings in protected and vital area barriers, specifically the protected area fence. The inquiry addressed the barbed wire placement at the top of the barrier and whether the "ninety-six (96) square inch opening with the smallest dimension exceeding six (6) inches" rule was applicable. Mr. Yandell indicated he had addressed the question to Mr. Don Kasun in Washington, D.C., and was advised the Rule was not applicable to the barbed wire portion of the barrier. It is our understanding the fence fabric is subject to the criteria but the barbed wire will not be subject to compliance or audit specific to the Guidance.

A second inquiry was made by Mr. Alps to Mr. Yandell on January 23, 1986 was specific to criminal records checks for contract security applicants and protected area lighting requirements.

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The screening process for contract security personnel at Fort St. Vrain has been accomplished in accordance with Appendix B to the Plant Security Plan. Included in this process has been a request to the Colorado Bureau of Investigation to provide criminal history on each individual. During the second week of January, the Colorado Bureau of Investigation informed Burns International Security that the criminal records check results would be delayed as much as three to four weeks effective immediately due to budget reductions imposed by the State Government. Communication with the Sheriffs of Weld and Boulder Counties confirmed the limitation of releasing only the activity specific to the geographical boundaries of the respective county. The problem, as the result of the delay incurred in receiving criminal records checks, was adversely affecting the screening, hiring and training processes.

In an effort to avoid further complications with this problem, Mr. Alps proposed the following approach which was found to be acceptable by Mr. Yandell and Mr. Kelly during a conversation on January 28, 1986.

1. Burns International Security will request and have in each applicant's file an acceptable criminal records check provided by the Weld County Sheriff.
2. Burns International Security will submit a request to the Colorado Bureau of Investigation for a criminal records check during the applicant screening process.
3. Burns International Security will continue to polygraph all applicants regarding criminal history and undetected felony activity.
4. Applicable documentation shall be available in each applicant's file to indicate the above steps have been accomplished prior to site specific training being initiated or unescorted access as a guard or watchperson being granted.
5. Should the results of the Colorado Bureau of Investigation records check reveal information contrary to the acceptable limits of the Security Plan, that individual shall immediately be relieved from duty and unescorted access revoked.
6. Each Applicant for an armed position shall continue to be required to complete a request for a USNRC "L" Clearance in accordance with 10CFR 25 and 95.

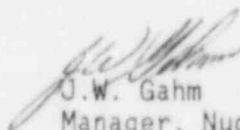
The second area of concern during the January 23, 1986, conversation addressed the placement of Protected Area lighting and the requirement for tamper and surveillance alarms should the light standards be placed outside of the perimeter barrier.

It is our understanding that the lights may be placed outside the Protected Area barrier and are not subject to any means of tamper alarms or line surveillance. This inquiry was made in anticipation of modifying the current system which is maintained inside the perimeter.

In accordance with 10CFR 50.54 (p), Security Plan changes will be submitted as required for the above modifications.

Should you have any questions, please call Mr. Frank Novachek at 303-785-2223.

Sincerely,



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