October 28, 1997 EN 97-049A

OFFICE OF ENFORCEMENT NOTIFICATION OF SIGNIFICANT ENFORCEMENT ACTION

Licensee: Western Colorado Testing, Inc. (EA 96-459) Grand Junction, Colorado Docket No. 150-00005

Subject: IMPOSITION OF CIVIL PENALTY - \$2,500

By EN 97-049 tated June 10, 1997 the Commission was notified of the intent of OE to issue a Notice or Violation and Proposed Imposition of Civil Penalty (Notice) in the amount of \$2,500 to Western Colorado Testing, Inc. This action was based on a Severity Level III violation involving r willful failure to file for reciprocity before conducting NRC-licensed activities in areas under NRC jurisdiction.

The licensee responded to the Notice in a letter dated July 16, 1997. After careful consideration of the licensee's response, the staff has concluded that: (1) the violation did occur as set forth, in the Notice, and (2) the licensee did not provide an adequate basis for mitigation of the civil penalty.

Accordingly, an C.der Imposing Civil Monetary Penalty in the amount of \$2,500 has been issued today. Under the terms of the Order, the licensee may within 30 days of the date of the Order, pay the civil penalty or request a hearing.

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