OFFICE OF ENFORCEMENT NOTIFICATION OF SIGNIFICANT ENFORCEMENT ACTION

Licensee:

Department of the Army (EA 97-350) Tank-Automotive and Armaments Command

Rock Island, IL

Docket No. 030-13027, 030-21073, 030-22274

Subject:

PROPOSED IMPOSITION OF CIVIL PENALTIES - \$16,000

This is to inform the Commission that a Notice of Violation and Proposed Imposition of Civil Penalties in the amount of \$16,000 will be issued on or about November 12. 1997, to the Department of the Army. Tank-Automotive and Armaments Command, Rock Island, IL. The action is based on two Severity Level II problems including failures to (1) properly store icensed material. conduct annual inspections and inventories, provide training, conduct tests by persons authorized to do so, conduct surveys, and perform maintenance in accordance with procedures; and (2) provide notifications to the NRC. Many of the violations were repeat violations.

In accordance with the Enforcement Policy, a base civil penalty in the amount of \$8,000 is considered for a Severity Level II violation. Because the problems were each categorized as Severity Level II problems, the staff considered whether credit was warranted for both Identification and Corrective Action in accordance with the civil penalty assessment process in Section VI.B.2 of the Enforcement policy. The majority of the violations were identified by the NRC, thus no credit for identification was warranted. licensee's corrective actions were prompt and comprehensive, thus credit was warranted for corrective action. A civil penalty in the base amount of \$8,000 is being proposed for each problem.

It should be noted that the licensee has not been specifically informed of the enforcement action. The schedule of issuance and notification is:

Mailing of Notice Telephone Notification of Licensee November 12, 1997 November 12, 1997

The State of Illinois will be notified.

The licensee has thirty days from the date of the Notice in which to respond. Following NRC evaluation of the response, the civil penalty may be remitted. mitigated, or imposed by Order.

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