November 5, 1997 EN 97-045A

OFFICE OF ENFORCEMENT NOTIFICATION OF SIGNIFICANT ENFORCEMENT ACTION

Licensee: CONAM Inspection, Inc. (EA 97-207) Itasca, IL Docket No. 030-31373

Subject: IMPOSITION OF CIVIL PENALTY - \$16,000

By EN 97-45 dated June 4, 1997, the Commission was notified of the intent of OE to issue a Notice of Violation and Proposed Imposition of Civil Penalty (Notice) in the amount of \$16,000 to CONAM Inspection, Inc. This action was based on a Severity Level II problem involving failure to: (1) secure the sealed source assembly in the shielded position; (2) perform an adequate survey after each radiographic exposure; and (3) limit the annual occupational dose to an adult radiographer to 5 rems.

The licensee responded to the Notice in a letter dated July 7, 1997, the licensee admitted violation I.A, denied violations I.B and I.C, and requested remission or full mitigation of the civil penalty. After careful consideration of the licensee's response, the staff has concluded that: (1) the violations occurred as sot forth in the Notic and (2) the licensee did not provide an adequate basis for reduction of the Severit; so or mitigation of the civil penalty.

Accordingly, an Order Imposing Civil Monetary Penalty in the amount of \$16,000 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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