

### NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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February 26, 1998

Mr. Joseph R. Egan Mr. Martin Malsch Mr. John Kyte Egan and Associates, P.C. 2300 N Street, NW Washington, DC 20037

#### Gentlemen:

On December 12, 1997, the Natural Resources Derense Council (NRDC) filed a petition with the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission pursuant to 10 CFR 2.206, requesting that the INRC take certain actions concerning Envirocare of Utah, Inc. (Envirocare), a licensee of the Commission engaged in the radioactive and mixed waste disposal business. A copy of the petition is enclosed as Enclosure 1. As part of its petition, the NRDC alleges that Envirocare has egregiously violated Section 211 of the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 5851, and NRC regulations (10 CFR 19.16, 19.20, and 40.7) that protect employees in the nuclear industry from discrimination for engaging in protected activities. More specifically, the NRDC claims that current or former employees of Envirocare, who have provided information to governmental authorities adverse to Envirocare's interests, fear for their lives or the safety of their families.

By lette, dated January 16, 1998, the NRC acknowledged receipt of the NRDC's petition. The letter requested that the NRDC provide to the NRC the identities of the individuals referenced in the petition, so that the NRC could pursue the allegations raised in the petition. A copy of the letter is enclosed as Enclosure 2. By letter dated January 21, 1998, the NRDC responded to the NRC's letter. A copy of that letter is enclosed as Enclosure 3.

The NRDC's January 21, 1998, latter identifies you as individuals who may have knowledge of former or current employees of Envirocare who have been intimidated or feel threatened by Envirocare management. The purpose of this letter is to request that you inform the NRC whether you have such knowledge and, if so, provide the NRC with the identities of such individuals. In this regard, the NRC is prepared to protect the identity of any such individuals consistent with its allegation program. Further, we request that you provide us with any additional information you may possess that is relevant to the allegations raised in the NRDC's petition.

To protect the confidentiality of any information you may provide, we request that you contact by telephone one of our allegation coordinators. Please call either Robert O'Connell, Allegation Coordinator, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, at (301) 415-7877,

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or Russell Wise, Allegation Coordinator, Enforcement and Allegation Coordination Staff, NRC Region (V, at (817) 860-8245. If you have any questions regarding our request, please contact either me or Mr. Joseph J. Holonich, Chief of the Uranium Recovery Branch. I can be reached at (301) 415-7800, and Mr. Holonich can be reached at (301) 415-7238.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Carl J. Paperiello, Director

Office of Nuclear Material Safety

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Enclosures: As stated

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December 12, 1997

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Petition Pursuant to 10 CFR 2.206 for NRC to Take Appropriate Enforcement Action to Avert Death Threats and Other Retaliatory Actions Against Employees of Envirocare of Utah, Inc.

Dear Mr. Callan:

It is, thankfully, not very often that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission ("NRC") must be asked to step in to protect the lives of whistleblowers and their families. This is such a case.

On January 8, 1997, the Natural Resources Defense Council ("NRDC") filed a petition under 10 CFR § 2.206 requesting enforcement action against Envirocare of Utah, Inc. ("Envirocare"), which is both an NRC lic and a Utah agreement state licensee. The petition was based on Envirocare's involvement. Corrupt seleme to facilitate agreement state licensing of its Clive. Utah radioactive waste disposal facility.

Specifically, Envirocare admitted, in publicly available court documents, to complicity in a corrupt scheme of apparent bribery or extortion in connection with receiving its approvals to dispose of radioactive wastes under NRC's Agreement State Program. This scheme involved the very highest management levels of both the licensee and the agreement state licensing agency: Khosrow Semnani, the owner and former CEO of Envirocare, and Larry Anderson, the former Director of the Utah Bureau of Radiation Control. As owner and CEO, Semnani paid some \$600,000, including gold coins and a ski resort condo, to Anderson in connection with Anderson's personal facilitation and approval of Envirocare licenses, amendments, exemptions, and other NRC agreement state approvals for disposal of radioactive waste. Even before the \$600,000 scheme became known, the Utah Office of Legislative Auditor General concluded that Anderson's staff, who did not appear to have been involved in the scheme, felt that their role had changed from regulator to facilitator of Envirocare.



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The NRC staff reaction to this corrupt scheme, developed in response to a 10 CFR § 2.206 petition filed by NRDC on January 8, 1997, was to cite previous staff reviews which failed to find any serious problem, and to adopt the view that apparent bribery or extortion at the highest management levels is of no immediate safety concern.

NRDC disagrees strongly with this decision. However, it is not the purpose of this new 10 CFR § 2.206 petition to request staff reconsideration. Instead, this petition addresses a separate and grave proble in confronting any current or former employee of Envirocare. First, it is apparent from sworn court documents that those who have provided information to governmental authorities adverse to Envirocare's interests fear for their very lives and for the lives of their families. These filings, supported by sworn affidavits, relate to information compiled in a State of Utah Legislative Auditor General investigation of Envirocare and the state's licensing of Envirocare's Clive, Utah disposal facility. These filings include the statement that "[m]any of the requested [state] documents contain the identities of individuals who feared that public disclosure would lead to the loss of safety or their lives or that of their families should their identities become known to an officer of Envirocare." [Emphasis added.] [See Exhibit No. 1]

Second, Envirocare has and still is threatening to destroy the financial well-being of any employee who provides any information about operations under its NRC or state license, including radiological safety information, to the NRC or other proper authorities. Envirocare's standard employment contract with its employees [see Exhibit No. 2], which essentially all employees are required to sign, provides that an "[e]mployee shall not at any time, while employed by the Company or thereafter, except as expressly authorized by the Company in writing, disclose to any person or entity or use in any manner whatsoever any confidential or proprietary information of the Company." The operative term "confidential or proprietary information" is then defined broadly to include not only the usual pricing information and other trade secrets (as might be expected), but also "all other information involving or reasonably related to the business or prospective business of the Company," including "operation methods or techniques," "research data," "test results," "gnvironmental monitoring information," and all information specifically (and ominously) referred to as "radiologies." Thus, information about unsafe practices and violations under the NRC license is expressly included in the non-disclosure agreement.

To further strike terror into the hearts (and pocketbooks) of any employee even thinking of contacting NRC, the employment contract provides further that "[i]n the event of such a breach [of the foregoing non-disclosure 'covenant'], the Company shall also be entitled to recover from Employee the sum of \$30,000.00 for each breach as liquidated damages," which each employee is required to agree "is a reasonable estimation of the actual damages which the Company would suffer as a result of such breach." This \$30,000.00 is probably as much as, if not more than, most Envirocare employees earn in an entire year, and is clearly calculated to threaten financial ruin to any employee considering disclosure. Moreover lest it be thought that this extremely onerous non-disclosure provision is just some "boilerplate" not actually intended to be enforced vigorously, Envirocare actually used the provision to threaten a former Envirocare employee during a recent deposition. [See Exhibit No. 3, Tr. pp. 13-17]

We believe these threatening practices and contractual provisions by Envirocare constitute the most outrageous violations of 42 U.S.C. § 5851 and NRC's whistleblower protection regulations (see 10 CFR §§ 19.16, 19.20, and 40.7) ever seen in the nuclear industry.

More than the usual NRC "chilling effects" slap-on-the-wrist letter to Envirocare is required. We request an immediate NRC investigation and suspension of Envirocare's NRC license. Given the obvious willfulness and outrageous nature of the practices and provisions, we also believe that an investigation of criminal violations of section 223 of the Atomic Energy Act is required.

Utah must have known of these Envirocare practices and provisions for some time. In addition, we know that some previous allegations about Envirocare were referred by NRC to the Utah Bureau of Radiation Control, where they were promptly dispositioned under the direction of the very same Larry Anderson who was receiving payments, at the same time, from Envirocare CEO Semnani. It is, therefore, no wonder that one individual, who originally contacted NRC about safety problems at Envirocare and was referred by NRC to the Utah Bureau, refused to provide information to the Utah Bureau, stating that "he doesn't believe he would receive a proper hearing in Utah because Mr. Semnani is 'too powerful.'" [See Exhibit No. 4] This observation appears to have been all too correct.

Accordingly, because of Utah's apparent knowledge of the problem and its lack of effective action to date, and because of the grave and immediate safety problem posed by the practices and provisions described above, we request that NRC order the immediate suspension of the Envirocare state license under section 274j(2) of the Atomic Energy Act, in addition to the enforcement action requested above. At a minimum, NRC must investigate the adequacy of the Utah agreement state program to protect whistleblowers. Under section 274 of the Atomic Act, an agreement state program must be adequate to protect public health and safety and ampatible with NRC's program. This requires adoption and vigorous enforcement of state and stellar stellar as those of NRC. Based on the above, the Utah program does not even come close.

Finally, given the unique and outrageous nature of the violations, and their apparent breadth, we believe that special additional remedies are warranted. We request that NRC contact each current and former Envirocare employee personally, on a confidential basis, to advise them of their rights to inform NRC of unsafe practices and violations, to inform them of the protections available to them, and to ask them if they have any information which they wish to disclose, on a confidential basis or otherwise. Moreover, we believe that NRC should order a special independent review of Envirocare's relationships with its employees, along the lines of the one ordered by NRC for the Millstone site.

NRC denied our last 10 CFR § 2.206 petition on Envirocare in part on the ground that NRC staff's paper review of the NRC and Utah Bureau files revealed no specific safety problems. This shows an alarming review ef regarding how official corruption will necessarily reveal itself in an agency's official files. We now know of another reason why NRC's limited review and inspection efforts to date regarding Envirocare have been so unproductive. Clearly, people are

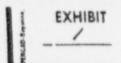
afraid, even deathly afraid, to talk.

Sincerely,

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The Hon. Federico Peña (Secretary, U.S. Department of Energy)
The Hon. John C. Layton (Inspector General, U.S. Department of Energy)
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# Did Envirocare Make Death Threats?

by Christopher Smart

As many as six people interviewed as part of a state audit of the Utah Division of Radiation Control said if they disclosed information relating to dump mogul Khosrow Semnani, their lives could be in danger

According to a memorandum accompanied by a motion to quash evidence filed in 3rd District Court, a number of people, whose identities remain undisclosed, said that they feared for their lives and the lives of family members from "an of" per of Envirocare."

Envirocare is the low-level radiation dump that was owned and operated by Khosrow Semnani. Semnani still owns the operation but recently stepped down from his position as company executive litter senous questions were raised following a recent scandal.

Larry F. Anderson, former director of the Division of Radiation Control, filed suit last year against Semnani, clarming the dump operator hadn't paid him for services rendered. Semnani then went public, alleging that Anderson extorted \$600,000 from him.

Either way, it was clear to onlookers that Envirocare was not properly regulated during Anderson's tenure at Radiation Control. Anderson retired in 1993.

Long before the suit was filed, insiders felt the relationship between Anderson and Semne was too cozy. The rumors persisted until the Legislative Auditor General's Office launched an audit at the request of the Legislature.

The document came to light in a civil suit filed by the Maryland-based Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc. in Utah's 3rd District Court. Nuclear Fuel alleges that Sermani and Anderson kept the Maryland company out of the Utah market.

As part of the suit, attorneys for Nuclear Fuel requested documents from the audit. But the Legislative General Council densed access to six documents:

"The Legislative Auditor General's motion to quash should be gramed because the disclosure of these records will jeopardize the lives and safety of the individuals who disclosed information ...," the memorandum states.

"Several of the individuals who spoke with members of the Legis'ative Auditor General's team did so on the condition that their identities be protected. They claimed to fear physical, violent action against them or their families should the individuals about whom they spoke become aware of their cooperation with the auditor's

request "

Tim Osterstock, state audit supervisor, said the Utah Attorney General's Office was approached with information concerning the threats. The AG's Office instructed him to take the information to the Office of the U.S. Attorney for Utah.

No one in the U.S. Attorneys Office could be reached for comment as of press time. But Reed Richards, thief deputy Utah attorney general, said he had no knowledge of the threats. In March, Attorney General Jan Graham passed the investigation into the relationship between Semnani and Anderson off to federal investigators.

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### IN THE THIRD DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR SALT LAKE COUNTY STATE OF UTAH

NUCLEAR FUEL SERVICES, INC. a Maryland corporation.	)
Plaintiff,	LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR GENERAL'S MOTION TO QUASH
v.	)
KHOSROW B. SEMNANI, an individual residing in the State of Utah, LARRY F.	) )
ANDERSON, an individual residing in the State of Nevada, ENVIRC ARE OF	) Civil No. 970901677CV
UTAH, INC., a Utah corporation, and LAVICKA, INC., a Utah corporation,	Judge Sandra Peuler
Defendants.	)

Pursuant to Utah R. Civ. P. 45(c)(2)(C) and 45(c)(3)(A) and (B), the Legislative Auditor General objects to plaintiff's Motion to Compel Inspection and Copying of Records from the Legislative Auditor General and moves to quash plaintiff's Motion to Compel. The requested documents are protected documents and cannot be released except pursuant to a court order that

has balanced the competing interests under Utah Code Ann. § 63-2-202(7) (1994). These competing interests favor protection of records that identify confidential informants, that contain trade secrets or protected commercial information, that would jeopardize the lives or safety of the individuals who disclosed the information to the Legislative Auditor General, and that will interfere with the Legislative Auditor General's ability to obtain information from confidential sources to conduct future audits. These reasons favoring protection of the records are set forth in the accompanying memorandum in support of the Motion to Quash.

Dated this 2nd day of June, 1997.

Respectfully submitted.

Robert H. Rees

Attorneys for Legislative Auditor General

### MAILING CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that on the day of June, 1997, a true and correct copy of the foregoing Legislative Auditor's Motion to Quash was sent by first class mail, postage prepaid, to the following:

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IN THE THIRD DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR SALT LAKE COUNTY

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v.	SUPPORT OF MOTION TO QUASH
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LAVICKA, INC., a Utah corporation,	Judge Sandra Peuler
Defendants.	)

Movant Wayne L. Welsh, the Legislative Auditor General of Utah, by and through counsel, submits the following memorandum in support of his Motion to Quesh filed herewith.

Plaintiff's Motion to Compel should be denied and the subpoena quashed on the grounds that the records and work papers requested in the subpoena are protected governmental records and

should not be disclosed. The court should not compel the inspection and copying of the records because disclosure will result in revealing the identities of confidential informants who gave information to the auditors on the condition that their identities remain protected, will result in the revealing of trade secrets and commercial information, will reveal the identities of individuals who asked the legislative auditors to protect and keep confidential their names as they feared for their lives and safety, and will impair the ability of the Legislative Auditor General to conduct future audits and otherwise carry out his constitutional duties.

#### STATEMENT OF FACTS

- 1. On April 17, 1997, a subpoena duces tecum issued from the Third District Court of Salt Lake County, State of Utah, commanding Wayne Welsh, the Legislative Auditor General, to produce various documents and other items for inspection and for copying on May 7, 1997.

  (Attachment A)
- 2. On April 30, 1997, M. Gay Taylor, counsel for the Office of Legislative Auditor General, sent a letter to plaintiff stating that certain records requested by the plaintiff are protected "because they contain commercial, proprietary information and also disclose the identity of informants who communicated a suspected violation of state or federal law, and the information was disclosed on the condition that the identity of the person be protected from public disclosure." (Attachment B)
  - 3. "All papers generated in a formal audit that relate to informants, trade

safety of an individual are considered protected by the Office of the Legislative auditor General. Identities of informants are kept protected at all times and in every case." (Welsh Aff. ¶ 11.)

These documents are not sent to the State Archives for storage, nor do they become part of the public records of audits. The Office of Legislative Auditor General's practice of maintaining protected records is customary and necessary to protect the identity of informants, the integrity of the formal audit, and to prevent interference with the audit process. (Osterstock Aff. ¶ 10; Welsh Aff. ¶ 11

- 4. The records sought by plaintiff contain information obtained by the Legislative

  Auditor General from individuals who voluntarily disclosed the information on the condition that
  their identities be protected from public disclosure. (Osterstock Aff. 47 5, 7; Welsh Aff. 4 10.)
- 5. One record requested by the plaintiff contains private, commercial information classified by the Legislative Auditor as protected. (Osterstock Aff. ¶ 9.)
- 6. Six of the records requested contain the identities of certain informants who feared that they may face sanctions or retaliation which could hurt their careers if their identities were to become known, and in some cases, the informants feared for their life and safety and for the lives and safety of their families should the information be brought to the attention of an Envirocare officer. (Osterstock Aff. § 8.) Envirocare of Utah, Inc. is a defendant in this lawsuit.
  - 7. The disclosure of these protected records would impair the ability of the Legislative

Auditor General to obtain protected information in future audits and renders his office "ineffective in carrying out the mandates given it by the Legislature." (Velsh Aff. ¶ 12: Osterstock Aff. ¶ 11.)

### ARGUMENT

### POINT I. THE REQUESTED DOCUMENTS ARE PROTECTED RECORDS AND CANNOT BE RELEASED EXCEPT PURSUANT TO A COURT ORDER.

The documents which plaintiff seeks from the Legislative Auditor General in this Motion to Compel are protected records under the Government Records Access and Management Act (GRAMA), Utah Code Ann. § 63-2-304 (1996), and the statute creating and directing the Office of The Legislative Auditor General, § 36-12-15(8) (1992), and cannot properly be released to plaintiff absent a specific order as required in Utah Code Ann. § 63-2-202(7) (1994) and Rule 45(c) of the Utah Rules of Civil Procedure.

When an individual requests discovery of records which are classified as protected under GRAMA, the records are privileged from discovery and cannot be disclosed until a court competent jurisdiction has considered the merits of the request for access to the record, and where appropriate, limited

the requester's use and further disclosure of the record in order to protect privacy interests in the case of private or controlled records, business confidentiality interests in the case of records protected under Subsections 63-2-304(1) and (2), and privacy interests or the public interest in the case of other protected records.

Utah Code Ann. § 63-2-202(7)(a)-(c) (1994). The court is also required to make a determination

that "to the extent the record is properly classified private, controlled, or protected, the interests favoring access, considering limitations thereon, outweigh the interests favoring restriction of access..." Utah Code Ann. § 63-2-202(7)(d) (1992). Additionally, the Utah Rules of Civil Procedure state in Rule 45(c)(3)(A)(iii) that the court, on timely motion, shall quash or modify the subpoena if it "requires disclosure of privileged or other protected matter and no exception or waiver applies," and Rule 45(c)(3)(B)(i) states that the court shall quash or modify the subpoena if it "requires disclosure of a trade secret or other confidential research, development, or confidential information."

These protected documents identify confidential audit sources and private, commercial information that should not be disclosed. Based on the significant public purpose principles for protecting these documents from public disclosure, the interests favoring restriction outweigh the interests favoring access.

### POINT II. THE COMPETING INTERESTS FAVOR THE PROTECTION OF RECORDS IDF NTIPYING CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS.

Plaintiff's Motion to Compel Inspection and Copying of Records from the Legislative Auditor General seeks protected information that was obtained by the Legislative Auditor General on the condition that the identities of the informants not be disclosed. The motion should be denied.

The greatest number of documents requested by plaintiff are records and audit work papers containing the identity of and information from individuals who were willing to disclose

the information only on the condition of anonymity. (Osterstock Aff. ¶ 7.) These documents fall squarely under the category of protected records under GRAMA. The statute governing the Office of Legislative Auditor General explicitly sets forth which records in the possession of the Auditor General shall receive protected status. They include work papers and records which would disclose the identity of persons who communicated about "waste of public funds, property, or manpower, or a violation or suspected violation of a law . . ." on the condition that their identities be protected. Utah Code Ann. § 36-12-15(8)(b) (1992). The documents requested in plaintiff's Motion to Compel are protected documents containing this type of confidential information and should not be disclosed. Disclosure of the records would reveal the identity of persons who cooperated with the audit on the condition that their identities be and remain protected.

POINT III. THE PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS IS IMPROPER BECAUSE THEY ARE PROTECTED RECORDS CONTAINING TRADE SECRETS AND COMMERCIAL INFORMATION.

Plaintiff's Motion to Compel seeks a protected record which contains trade secrets and other commercial information specifically protected under Utah Code Ann. § 63-2-304(1) and (2) (1996). (Osterstock Aff. § 9.) As a protected record under GRAMA, this court should not order its disclosure. Under Utah Code Ann. § 63-2-202(7) (1994), the court is required to consider, and where appropriate, limit the use and further disclosure of business confidentiality interests in order to protect the privacy interests of the business record. Disclosing this information may

result in a competitive business injury to the informant.

### POINT IV. THE DISCLOSURE OF THESE RECORDS WILL JEOPARDIZE THE LIVES AND SAFETY OF THE INDIVIDUALS WHO DISCLOSED THE INFORMATION TO THE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR GENERAL.

The Legislative Auditor General's Motion to Quash should be granted because the disclosure of these records will jeopardize the lives and safety of the individuals who disclosed information to the Legislative Auditor General. Some informants feared sanctions or retaliation which could hurt their careers. Many of the requested documents contain the identities of individuals who feared that public disclosure would lead to the loss of safety or their lives or that of their families should their identities become known to an officer in Envirocare. (Osterstock Aff. ¶ 8.) Envirocare of Utah, Inc., is a defendant in this litigation, and if the information requested is given to plaintiff, in fairness it should also be given to the other parties in the litigation. But one of the parties has an officer whose real or perceived threat to informants caused them to extract a promise from the Legislative Auditor General's staff not to reveal their names for their own life and safety concerns. Proords created or maintained for audit purposes are protected records under GRAMA if their disclosure would jeopardize the life or safety of an individual. Utah Code Ann. §63-2-304(9) (1996). Several of the individuals who spoke with members of the Legislative Auditor General's audit team did so on the condition that their identities be protected. They claimed to fear physical, violent action against them or their families should the individuals about whom they spoke become aware of their cooperation with the legislative auditor's requests. (Osterstock Aff. ¶ 8.) The disclosure of these records would substantially jeopardize these individuals' lives or safety, which is a substantial interest at take in this litigation. The court, in weighing these interests in life and safety, should give stroweight to the informants' concerns and grant the Legislative Auditor General's Motion to Quash. Utah Code Ann. § 63-2-202(7)(d) (1994).

## POINT V. THE PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS IS IMPROPER BECAUSE DISCLOSURE WILL INTERFERE WITH THE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR GENERAL'S ABILITY TO OBTAIN INFORMATION FROM CONFIDENTIAL SOURCES TO CONDUCT FUTURE AUDITS

The plaintiff's motion to compel disclosure of all drafts, notes, interviews, work papers, and documents relating to A Performance Audit of the Utah Department of Environmental Quality should be denied because it will render ineffective the Legislative Auditor General's ability to carry out his constitutional functions of conducting audits of governmental entities. The Legislative Auditor General's Motion to Quash should be granted because the records sought by plaintiff through its Motion to Compel Inspection and Copying of Records from the Legislative Auditor General are protected records under §63-2-304(8)(b) (1996). This section protects records created or maintained for audit purposes if release of the records "reasonably could be expected to interfere with audits . . . ." Release of these records will substantially interfere with the Auditor General's ability to conduct and carry out his statutory duty to perform future audits and obtain protected information from individuals for future audits. (Welsh Aff. ¶ 11.) The auditors made a commitment to individuals with information

relevant to the audit in question: they pledged not to reveal the names of those who voluntarily provided information. (Osterstock Aff. ¶ 5.) Essential to the audit process and the very integrity of the Office of the Legislative Auditor General is the ability to ensure the confidentiality of work papers and sources. The importance of the legislative audit functions to effective state government cannot be overestimated. As part of the legislative branch of state government, the office is vested with the constitutional authority to conduct audits of "any funds, functions, and accounts in any branch, department, agency or political subdivision of this state . . . ." Utah Const. art. VI. § 33. In order to stem corruption and inefficiency in state government or with the use of state funds, the Legislative Auditor General must be able not only to make promises that assure confidentiality, but also to keep these promises in order to obtain information vital to these legislative audits and maintain the integrity of the audit process.

### CONCLUSION

The Legislative Auditor General respectfully requests the court to deny plaintiff's Motion to Compel Inspection and Copying of Records from the Legislative Auditor General on the grounds that the requested documents are properly protected and that a balancing of interests requires that the documents not be disclosed. The Legislative Auditor General's Motion to Quash should be granted to reinforce the important principle of informant confidentiality, to maintain business confidentiality, to tide the personal fears of retaliation or physical harm to confidential informants, and to avoid negative ramifications to the Office of the Legislative

Auditor General in gathering confidential information in future legislative audits.

In the alternative, the Legislative Auditor General requests the court to hold an in camera review of these protected records and either deny the motion to compel based on this specific review or limit the disclosure of the records to the public as well as to the parties.

DATED this 2nd of June, 1997.

M. Gay Taylor Robert H. Rees

Attorneys for Legislative Auditor General

### MAILING CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was mailed to the following.

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EXHIBIT 2

#### EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

This Employment Agreement is entered into between Envirocare of Utah. Inc. ("the Company"), and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ("Employee").

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Company is engaged in the radioactive and mixed waste disposal business; and

WHEREAS, the Company desires to employ or continue to employ Employee; and

WHEREAS. Employee desires to become employed or continue to be employed by the Company;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the Company's employment or continued employment of Employee, and the promises and covenants contained herein, the parties agree as follows:

- I. Employment. The Company hereby employs Employee, and Employee hereby accepts employment with the Company, upon the terms and conditions set forth herein.
- Position and Duties. Employee shall hold the position of \_\_\_\_\_\_ with the Company. Employee shall be responsible for performing the duties of that position, as set forth in the current or any revised written job description for the position, or as orally explained to Employee by the Company. Employee also shall be required to perform such additional duties as may be assigned to Employee from time to time by the Company. Employee shall at all times faithfully, industriously, and to the best of Employee's ability, experience, and talents perform all of the duties that may be required of and from Employee pursuant to the express and implied terms hereof.
- 3. Exclusive Services. While employed by the Company, Employee shall devote his or her full business time and efforts to the Company, and shall not directly or indirectly in any manner or in any capacity engage in an outside business endeavor of any kind that would adversely affect the performance of Employee's assigned duties with the Company or would be in competition with, or would be to the detriment of, the Company, without the prior written consent of the Company.

- At-Will Employment. Employee and the Company acknowledge and agree that this Agreement does not create any obligation on Employee's part to work for the Company for any fixed period of time, or for the Company to employ Employee for any fixed period of time. Employee's employment may be terminated without notice at any time by either Employee or the Company, with or without cause. Termination of Employee's employment hereunder shall not relieve Employee of his or her obligations under the covenant not to disclose confidential information or the covenant not to solicit employees or customers, as set forth in this Agreement.
- Benefits Employee shall receive such employee benefits as are provided by the Company to its regular, full-time employees, including medical insurance, vacation leave, paid holidays, sick leave, or any other benefits that are given to other employees having a similar position and tenure with the Compan.
- 6. Bonuses From time to time, bonuses may be paid by the Company to Employee, in the Company's sole discretion.
- Adherence to Policies and Procedures. Employee agrees to comply with the policies and procedures of the Company, as set forth in the Company's policy and procedures manuals or in other written memoranda or directives that may be issue by the Company from time to time. Employee acknowledges the receipt of a copy of the Company's current policy and procedures manual.



- 8. Goodwill. Employee acknowledges that the Company has a good reputation and extensive goodwill with its customers and in the industry. Employee will not do anything to adversely affect the Company's reputation or goodwill nor will Employee attempt to benefit from the Company's reputation or goodwill at any time other than as an employee acting within the scope of his or her employment for the Company.
- Inventious and Discoveries. Employee acknowledges that the Company is engaged in an ongoing program of research, development, testing, analysis, production and marketing in connection with its business and that Employee will or may be involved in such endeavors. Any invention, discovery, improvement, concept or idea (whether or not patentable or copyrightable) relating to any aspect of the Company's techniques, technology, products, production methods, testing methods, services, research, or development, or any other aspect of the Company's business, made, conceived, developed, or first reduced to practice by Employee (alone or with others) during his or her employment with the Company, is the exclusive property of the Company. Employee agrees to promptly disclose any such invention, discover, improvement, concept or idea to the Company at the earliest possible time. For the consideration mentioned above, Employee agrees to assign and does hereby assign to the Company all of Employee's right, title and interest in and to all inventions, discoveries, improvements, concepts and ideas and any patent or copyright applications or patents or copyrights granted thereon. It is

agreed that Employee will not assert any right in the inventions, discoveries, improvements, concepts and ideas of the Company.

10. Covenant Not to Disclose Confidential Information. Employee, while employed by the Company, will occupy a position of trust with respect to the confidential or proprietary information which may be originated by or imparted to Employee from time to time in the course of his or her employment. It therefore is agreed that Employee shall not at any time, while employed by the Company or thereafter, except as expressly authorized by the Company in writing, disclose to any person or entity or use in any manner whatsoever any confidential or proprietary information of the Company.

For purposes of this provision. "confidential or propnetary information" shall include, without limitation, all of the Company's trade secrets, technology, engineering or operation methods or techniques, research data, test results, environmental monitoring information, radiologies, analytical results of customers' waste materials, marketing plans, service plans, patents, times of customers or potential customers, customer lists, customer files, vendor lists, vendor files, information obtained from or relating to customers or vendors, government private contracts, pricing information, cost information, bidding information, sales information, financial information and all other information involving or reasonably related to the business or prospective business of the Company, and any tangible article which embodies such confidential or proprietary information.

Upon the request of the Company while Employee is employed by the Company, or upon the termination of Employee's employment, Employee will turn over to the Company all documents, computer disks, papers or other materials in his or her possession or under his or her control which may contain or be derived from confidential information of the Company. It is understood and agreed that Employee shall have no proprietary interest in any work product developed or used by Employee. Confidential with his or her employment with the Company.

Information. Because a breach of the Covenant Not to Disclose Confidential Information. Because a breach of the foregoing covenant not to disclose confidential information will result in irreparable damage to the Company, the amount of which is difficult to measure, the Company, at its election, shall be entitled, in the event of a breach or threatened breach by Employee of the provisions of this covenant, to an injunction enjoining Employee from engaging in such conduct. In the event of such a breach, the Company also shall be entitled to recover from Employee the sum of \$30,000.00 for each such breach as liquidated damages. The parties acknowledge and agree that the amount of such liquidated damages is a reasonable estimation of the actual damages which the Company would suffer as a result of such a breach. Nothing contained herein shall be construed as prohibiting the Company from pursuing, or any court from awarding, any other remedy available to the Company for such breach or threatened breach.

including the recovery of damages, and no action by the Company in pursuing a given remedy shall constitute an election to brego other remedies.

- 12. Attorneys' Fees and Costs. The parties agree that if any action or suit is brought to enforce the terms of this Agreement, or to obtain injunctive relief, damages or any other relief for any alleged violation of this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover from the non-prevailing party his/her costs and expenses incident to such action or suit, including reasonable attorneys' fees, expert witness fees, and court costs.
- 13. Paragraph Headings. Headings have been inserted herein solely for convenience and reference and shall not be construed to affect the meaning, construction, or effect of this Agreement.
- 14. <u>Unenforceable Provisions</u>. In the event that any part of this Agreement is held to be invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining parts hereof shall nevertheless continue to be valid and enforceable as though the invalid or unenforceable parts had not been included herein.

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EVITOCAPE OF TEXAS, I John W. Lawrence, Esq. EDAN & ASSOCIATES, P.D. Attorneys at Law 1311 N Street N.W. Suite 611 Washington, 1.0. 1113 A.sc Present Jeff Comput. Defendants Roy C. Minton, Esq. Martha S. Dickie, 1 Fir the Defendant: Martha S. Dickie, Esq. MINTON, BUCCON, FOSTER & COLLEGE DEPOSITION UPON GRAL EXAMINATION Attorneys at waw waw 1100 Suada.upe Street Austin, Texas 7871. Frank C. Thorley OF Also Present: JENNIFER MCKEAN Regulatory Affairs Manager Envirocare of Texas Taxen Pursuant to Notice and the Utah Rules of Civil Procedure Weanesday, October 19, 1897, 9:10 a m lennifer McKean Examination by Mr. Mitchell Examination by Mr. Minton 1416 it the property Stuble Tree Hotel Sait wake Lity, star. Sc. Description Fegg, Drover, FMR, Notary Public, Lizense # 801 Notice of Deposition & Suppoens Employment Agreement

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FAGE 3 \_\_\_ SALT LARE SITY, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1997, 9:10 A.M. JENNIFER MCKEAN. having first been duly and legally sworn, was examined and testified on her cath as .....ws EXAMINATION Mr. Mitchell Could you state your name for 110 /e:::2. 2.ease. Jennifer McKean. Ms. McKean. I am going to go ahead and attach as Exhibit No. . which is the suppoens that we had used a figure the court. And spelled M-1 e-a-fine Exhibit . marked for identification.

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Exhibit No . and tell is if that in fact appears to be
the fulph of that was issued to compel your attendance at this \_\_csition? t appears to be the same one. Mine is datter but it-All right it's the same one. reserved I really didn't anticipate you producing any

742e 4 documents, but in the suppoens we asked, and [ \*... ].st read, you to produce for inspection and copying al. populations and al. materials in the possession of Ms Jennifer McKean that refer to, relate to Environing of "tan, Inc., or Envirocare of Texas, Inc., . r any of company's directors, officers, employees or representatives. Do you have any such domuments in it. A. No documents whatsoever. I didn't even take a pencil with me.

Q. All right. Could you tell be where you live. Tout Turrent residence.

A. My residence is \$64 East South Lake Drive in Salt Lake City, 84117.

Okay. And now long have you lives it isit .ake :::;?

> A. Seres years.

All right. And where his you live before it. noved to Sait Lake City

A. Vero Beach, Florida

. All right. I think this will same a ...... 111 of time if you could just sort of-- 11 it. have a ::..ege :e::++?

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A. Well, I-- Let's see. After receiving my degree I worked for several years for what was then called American Bospital Supply Corporation which then turned into Barter Travenol. And then that company was divested and it spun off into another company with the same group of manufacturers into a company called Tronomed and I worked for Tronomed--

. I'm sorsy. How so you spell that?

A. I-r-o-m-e-d. And I worked for Tronomed until 1986. And then I took about six or seven years off to fly commercially, and so then I was a pilot until 19-- full time pilot until 19-- my brain is not working fast this morning-- until about 1992.

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A. And then I worked for about a year for a mpany called Sudson General.

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A. And then I was picked up by Envirocare around 199-- I don't remamber. Four? I don't remamber. 1994 to 1995 I believe. I am not going to swear to that one. I will have to go back and work on that. I only worked for Envirocare for a little less than a year, probably about ten months.

Q. Otay. Well, I mean maybe it's easier. It you remember when you left Environare?

MS. DICKIE: If it will help--

THE WITNESS: Refresh by memory.

MS. DICKIE: The employment records show

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THE WITNESS: Through Sectember.

MS. DICKIE: To some 1. 3 in '96.

THE WITNESS: Thank you. September '36.

Mr. Mitchell All right.

A. End of September of '96.

Q. All right. And then after leaving

Envirocare--

A. And now I work for a company called fool Design and Engineering.

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A. I'm their controller.

1. All first. Have you completed your CPA,

A. I completed the exemunation in 1984 but I never became certified.

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A. Baster didn't require it.

WE MINTON: You never became-- Well, I'll
all in later but are you a certified public accountant?
THE MITNESS: No. Baxter required that we
take the examination but they didn't require that we
take permitted.

Mr. Mitimall' All right. So when you went to work for Envirocare

A. Ostensibly by name as their controller.

. All right. Why do you say ostensibly?

A. Because I am a controller at Tool Design is every sense of the word but at Envirocare the controller position is what other companies would ever to as an accounting manager position. They had— They may still have but at the time they had a CFO who was acting in

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the capacity as controller. In my capacity as, quote controller, I had responsibility for all of the accounting functions, payables, receivables, cash f. publication of financial statements, but I had, other than that which occurred in the Accounting Department I had almost no managerial capacity whatsoever. So that's why I say ostensibly. Because most of the times in most companies the controller position has controller functions.

Q. All right.

A. And that didn't happen in Envirocare.

Q. All right. Well, you mentioned that there had been-- that there was a CFO. Who would the IFO have been?

A. A man by the name of Mr. Larry Shelton.

Q. All right. Do you know if he still works for Envirogate?

A. I have no cles.

Q. All right. Would be have been your immediate supervisor?

A. So was

Q. All right. And do you know who was Mr. Shelton's supervisor?

A. Se reported to Mr. Sesmani, Khos Sesmani

Q. All right. Who at that time was the

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- A. Fight. Skay. A. Fight. I'm going to
  care up a little bit because you said sort of a nouthful
  and I want to make sure I inderstand. You said that you
  were resonable for persain accounting functions and I
  list want to get you to slow down and to get you tell me
  and accounting functions for the
- A. Okey Accounts payable, accounts receivable, payroll profit planning, cash fl w, to whatever extent when necessary, collection assentially that was it, and then I would have and sundry projects to work on but effectively that was it.
  - All right. And if we were to ask what Mr.

    Induton's responsibilities were, could you tell me some
    if his responsibilities back during that time frame?
- A. They shifted about three months after I was hired. Between the time that I was hired and I would say around February of 1996, he spent about 60 to 70 percent of his time with Envirocare things and getting me up to speed in my position. I was fully up to speed probably by March of 1996, and around 1996, around that time, he transitioned his focus away from Envirocare and over to Zhagrus, their remodiation section of Semmani's empire, holdings rather.

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MR. MINTON: I'm sorry. I heart that hame out I'm not sure I'm hearing the same one.

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WE MENTON: Deay.

THE WITNESS: Chaptus is the name of a nountain range in Iran and he hamed his remediation from Chaptus. And so Clarry moved over with full intention of decoming president of Chaptus and he haved his operation focus over to Chaptus almost complete. And of the fire in September he had his fingers almost extrusively out of the Envirocase pie to work in Chaptus.

- C. Mr. Mitchell Dkay. Well 15 had referenced Mr. Semnani's holdings and 15 had mentioned Dhagrus and Envirocate of Stan. What other companies in entitles were you aware of when you were working there
- A. There were several but in Salt Lake in addition to that there was -- how would I refer to it? I don't want to call it an engineering company although I was told that that's what it was. Oh, F. K. Eart, and he had some real estate holdings and that's the extent of it in Utah, that's what he had, and then he had--

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A. And then he had his fingers in some other pies in various other parts of the country at the time

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including femas and California

- A. But I was involved in those in absolutely no way whatsoever.
- All fifth DKay. So the companies that you allow has hard so financial responsibilities for, accounting responsibilities for, would have been Intercase of Itan. Did you have anything to do with Inactus?
  - A. And Ehagres.
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- A. At the time Elegras was relling into Environme's financials and I published reparate financials for both companies and them a consolidated statement for the two every month.
- 1. All right. When you say rolling into financials, is that what you mean?
  - A. Yes. Yes.
- 1. Constituating the data, the two financial statements?
- A. Tes. Envirocare was 99.9 percent of it all. At the time that I left Ehagras was just starting to get on its feet so they he' relatively little finencial impact on the company. That was starting to change as I left but they were reported separately and then

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consolidated at month end

- Q. When you say reported separately, reported separately to who?
- A. Well, operationally Thagrus reported to Larry. It was a little nebulous when I left there but Larry was trying to extract total cortrol over Thagrus I just did the financial reporting and then everything that had to do with Thagrus operationally reported through to Lairy.
- C. All right. And what was your inderstanding of the purpose of Zhadrus?
  - A. Remodiation
  - 2. All right. Remediation of hislest waste
  - A. Yes
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  - A. Th-bub.
- Q. What about the Sernah Foundations was that at entity that you were Samiliar with it has some accounting responsibility for?
- A. When I first came to Environare, we were getting ready for our fiscal year end, which escapes me now exactly when it was, but I know we were getting ready for it, and it was my responsibility at first to pell together the income and the outgo for Semmani Foundation. I do not have what I would consider by any

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stretch of the imagination a strong accounting background in foundation accounting.

Or nonprofit accounting, but I was extremely uncomfortable with what I saw based on what I knew. I pulled together the numbers that the CPA fire had requested in bahalf of Semmani Foundation. %-- I submitted those numbers to the accountants, they had quite a bit of heartburn with it and at that point I realized that the Semmani Foundation -- And I don't, I have to back up here. I need to-- I need to say that I don't think at the time that, from my understanding that there was anything malicious going on or anything sub-rosa going on. It was just that there were mistakes made and donations made to charitable organisations that may not have qualified. Anyway, I let the CFA know, whose name now escapes me, because I know they were looking to get a new firm, that some of these donations were not kosher, and --

99. MINTON: Excuse me just a minute. This was stuff to as with your employment for Envirocase, Ms. W-1695"

THE ALTHESS: Yes. Yes and no.

vo. Militar: Deay. Let me take a moment here i make this a matter of recition I believe that you

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have a contract with them which unbludes a confidential information promotion. Is that paterally correct.

THE ALTHEOS: That is generally correct. MR. MINTON: And under that-- inder that contract you have promised Envirogate that you will need seriaun things, information that you received while you were there, to purse.f--

THE WITNESS: Pugnt.

MR. MINTON: And not discuss of give any information to others.

THE WITNESS: During the term of my employment, that's correct.

MR. MINTON: No, it's from the term of your employment or at any time after that.

THE WITNESS: I don't remember now that's worded. I knew it was during the term of my employment.

MR. MITCHELL: Well, let's --

MR. MINTON: Let me get you to take a moment and let her read this, just for the record.

MR. MITCHELL: All right. I'll have a

MR. MINTON: Why don't you read this part right in there so I'm being fair with you and we can get all of this out of the way and you can go on.

MR. MITCHELL: Yeah. I would like to see a

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VE. MINTERS: We care ... a copy.

MR. MITTHELL: Well, we have an insigned stoy. We have an insigned copy, we con't have a signed \*\*\*

THE WITHESS: I will be glad to read this but I had tell it just by looking at the print that this is has one one I signed, this is not-- the one that I filted, I mean I can remember this extremely well seriuse I times it. That's the print of the one that I 1. med. This is different so I will be glad to read the for at and 1 cannot --

MR. MINTON: Read it for yourself.

THE WITNESS: Okay. I will be glad to read it for myself. "Covenant not to disclose confidential \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

MP. MINTON: No. you don't need to read it :.: .:.....

THE WITNESS: Dray.

MR. MINTON: You can just read it so you can 

THE WITNESS: Dray. I've read it.

interesting out this is not the one that I signed.

wa. William: These three. Right? That's

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THE WITNESS: That's correct. I read that. MR. MINTON: Okay. And you inderstand it?

THE WITNESS: I understand that, that's

correct.

MP. MINTON: Okay. On the basis that you signed this, executed this, we feel you have an obligation to abide by it.

THE WITNESS: I resterate, that's not the one : signed.

MR. MINTON: Well, whatever you signed had the same confidentiality agreement that one oces.

THE WITNESS: I can't swear to that.

MR. MINTON: Well, I want to be candid, but I con't want to take up your time or all our time. We are all interested in, and I know you are.

THE WITNESS: Otay.

MR. MINTON: To get through with this, but ! want to be certain that the record shows that I've seen utterly fair in telling you to begin with that this provides for sanctions, you could be sued over it if you give out information which is proprietary and belongs to that corporation. It doesn't make any difference whether it's dad or good, or whether you think it's harmful or not harmful at all. I don't assign to you an. malicious intent, certainly not at this time. I only

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Associated what we can food this contract and attempt to seek caracter against you. Ow, asside from that, if the contract this deposition as a contract the favor of pertians information which the Court will falle on the later time. That really has very little to do with a creater that we have detween us and you. The contract datweet the admissibility of what you are the contract as about it are the contract as about to are contracted. About the are contracted for the contract of the company to be admonishing you. I'm admission, you at this time for your sake, and for the sake of the company, that if you discuss these things which we delieve to be proprietary, that we delieve to be exposing yourself to a lawsuit.

THE WITNESS: I--

MR. MINTON: Do you inderstand that?
THE WITNESS: I appreciate your concern for
The WITNESS: I appreciate your concern for
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the officer that I signed and chashuon as you don't
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MF. MITCHELL: Me.L. I'm soing-- I need to

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is something for the record here. And, hi decir will this attempt he intificate a withess I find to be a ver-Consider. Mety assuring thing to be. This is Mety funduat to what was attempted, I mean, quite franking so not find any legal justification in this at all. If its are point to assert this agreement and threater this woman with a lawsuit with an agreement that is accarently not the agreement that she signed, that father than going through all of that, and I count but that there may be whistle blower statutes that are involved that completely protect her, because this is a highly regulated industry, and if you are count to have the position in this case that a woman who has teen suppoensed in a lawsuit that we filed against Texas, and let me point out that one of the reasons that we are taking this woman's deposition is because although we have asked for financia, information and have asked for other information in this cash, that is portion, relevant for a lot of bif...ent reasons, not just for but that this defendant has produced term financia. information in this case. I might be sympathetic to what you are talking about in terms of this agreement if: A. isu produce the correct agreement, this apparent., .: not. B. This is not a lawsuit and to assert an

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entlighent bistissife agreement when we have filed a lawfult. I gon't thank there is any distribution for that, and it falling to sount out to this woman that she Tal de tombletely protected under whistle blower statutes, I think is absurb and if you are going to intester this withess and intustifiant, intimidate this withers, it estempt to intimidate her, by suggesting that if she testifies in this matter that you are going to sue her or might sue her under the provisions of that agreement I find to be fidirulous. I inderstand your colling and if you continue to maintain that position, eren through we have gone to great cost and time to ittain this witness for suppoena, I would prefer to sing, take the agreement, attach it as an exhibit to this deposition and go before the judge and find out wish the ruspe's view of this, particularly in light of the dark that he .. Itial information has been ittaines. That's the end of my record.

MS. MINTON: Well, of course, we are only contact to whatever one answers based on trade secrets and other accessible, accessibility rules under the Taxas Ples of Evidence.

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thing than what we're talking about here.

MR. MITCHILL: I agree. I agree.

MR. MINTON: And I inderstand that you want to do a good job of giving a speech for the record, just like I do, and I don't have any problem with anything that you're saying but all of what we're doing a based on Texas law.

MR. MITTHELL: 1 inderstand.

MR. MINTON: And we're not asnamed of that

MR. MITCHETT: 1 inderstand.

MR. MINTON: And you do, you're going to so

"Tough as you wish. I'm not--

MS Misoni: Year.

M9. MINTON: But I want to make it was pleased to the witness exactly what I said. And as I have already told her, and I don't need to tell you will be experience that you have got, there's two different things as to what is applied by the court and what is applied to the court and what her contractual obligations are as to this company.

MR. MITCHELL: You're tissing the court. The fact that we filed a lewsur and the fact that there are whistle blower statutes that protect her render that acceptent impater.al.

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TR. MINTON: Infortunate., Jou're talking to a state of where the statistic division exists what the exemptions are, and what the exemptions are, and what the exemptions are and what the exemptions are and what the exemptions of experience. So good look to you.

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MS. CORRECT Terrainly.

MR. MITCHELL: Why don't we just attach it as an exhibit to it-- Why don't we mark it and attach it as in exhibit to the deposition.

MS. DICKIE: That will be great. Just mark the whole thing. It has got her resignation letter and electronics.

MP. MINTON: We will mark this as Deposition I higher that already got one, don't you'

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vo. MINTON: Deav.

Exhibit I harked for identification.

.. Mr. Mitchell All right. And we have gone through all that and I just want to hake sure that you seel confurtable going forward.

A. I have no problems whatsoever

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A. I don't work well under intimidation.

2. Al. fig.t. And I dertainly did not. I mean if ou at all felt incomfortable 1 was--

A. No. And I'm here to say regarding Semmani Foundation, it is not uncommon at all with foundations to donate money that may ver may not be for Internal Revenue Services purposes deductible. It's their money, he can do whatever he wants to with it to a certain extent. But I also know that when Khosrow Semmani hired in 1996 an accountant CFA by the name of Timothy Blackwar, Tim took over full custody of the Foundation and he was intimately involved with not only the Foundation but Khos's personal and other holdings other than Envirocare and so the Semmani Foundation custody want to Tim.

Q. All signt.

MR. MINTON: Object as non-responsive, that entire statement.

2. Mr. Mitchell, All right.

A. Okay.

Q. Let me back up a little bit and--MR. MINTON: Let me be sure that we have

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MR. MITCHELL: Hell, I do have a question

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MR. MINTON: I know that, and I'm not interrupting your question. Let me be sure that we have it an agreement. I think that we have an agreement that all objections, it's taken in accordance with the which are that all objections are reserved unterpretations of time of this except, except for responsiveness or leading form of the miestion.

45. 4. ..... in, sure.

MR. MINTON: And under Rule 507 we have, we delieve we have a particular objection which is convilege, and do I specifically have an understanding that I so not need to raise that objection throughout this that, that that is the same as any other constitut.

MR. MITCHELL: : would pertainly agree with

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wo winton: All right.

MR. MITCHELL: I sertainly would agree with

MR. MINTON: All right. So that.

MR. MITCHELL: And I am familiar with Rule in and if it makes you feel comfortable, I will stillate that other than form and responsiveness, and to form I renerally assume--

MR. MINTON: Leading questions.

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MR. MITCHELL: Okay. That any other objection to the admissibility or use of this at the time of trial that you may have, you will not have waived it by failing to make the objection at this deposition.

MR. MINTON: Thank you.

MR. MITCHELL: All right. I do have a question for you all, though. This letter was in the middle of this, is--

MS. DICKIE: I think it's--

MR. MITCHELL: Should I separate out this

'etter?

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MR. MINTON: It's certainly all right with is to, but that's the way it is in our files and we weren't-- We just left it like that.

MR. DICKIE: That's the way we received the copy. I don't know whether it goes like that or not. Frank. You can leave it like that.

MR. MITCHELL: Well, I'll 30- If that's the way it was in your files, we'll go ahead and read this.

Q. (Mr. Mitchell) And before I go back and follow up on some questions about this Semnani Foundation, Ms. McFean, I want to go ahead and show you this Exhibit No. 2, which was produced with the suggestion that it was an employment agreement that you signed, and simply ask you if this was in fact the

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empligment agreement that you signed and if it wasn't tall us why you believe it was not.

A Because I typed the employment agreement that I signed and the one that I signed came out of a booklet that they put together for employees and there were mistakes in it and I finally signed the copy some months after I was hired there, so I didn't sign it. The one that I signed, the version that I signed, was a 1994 version.

A. The only one, the only page out of the amployment agreement that I signed that is in fact in the package right here is -- are the last two pages. The first pages I have never seen before.

. All right.

A. The wording may be similar but this is not the one that I signed.

A. fight. Just so that we are clear, it is your restimony that if i'm looking at Exhibit No. 1, sages i. 1, 3, 4 of Exhibit No. 1, you do not believe were part of the employment agreement that you eventual sizeeo?

A. No. That first part there is much, such nicer, much more professionally done than the one that I signed.

All fight. And the only parts of Exhibiting that would have been part of the agreement that the pages of the exhibit, one page that has August 1994 in the upper tight hand corner and another page that is called Agreement Appendix A?

A. That's correct.

p a little bit. And you have been telling is about the Semmani Foundation, and had indicated to me that these were some things about what you have with the length foundation that made you feel uncomformable. And had you explain to me what the things were that made if feel uncomfortable about the way it was being operated.

A. When I say uncomfortable, I am talking in terms of Internal Revenue Service regulations and the tax deductibility of them. I did not see any inappropriate donations to individe the organizations—let me back up. I didn't blatant—I didn't see any blatant—There were organizations, small outfits in the Salt Lake area. I remember there was one, an organization, they were building a bridge or something for historical preservation, and by tax law that would not have been, according to the foundation law from what I was told, a tax deductible expense for the foundation

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But I did not see anything there that struck a cord as being illegal

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A. As opposed to non-tax deductible.

A. first. Asympton else about the Semnani

A. Very poor record keeping but other than that.

actives in your testimony that you did not have any activiting responsibilities for the Texas part of the

A. That's correct.

2. Did you ever have any discussions with Mr. Freshor of other people at the company about the Texas coeration?

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ist to a or for just a second.

. Mr. Mitthell Tell me what you remember

a. To what extent?

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from Envirocare I had a fairly social relationship with Larry Shelton.

Q. All right.

A. The comments that were made about Texas and other competitors. I am not sure I could repeat here. They were non-amount they are extremely inflammatory and profane.

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Q. I am not-- if I relay to you my comments about what Larry said about WCS and other contentions including EC/DC, et betera, et betera, everyood, is going to be incowing their hands up in the air and going, "On, speculation, hearsay," you know so it show what you want he to tell to because it was not hipe.

. Weil, let me as .--

A. And it was not specific.

ever tell to that Environme was intended to the and appaired WES in some manner, or prevent them for additional events and appaired to the app

A. Yes.

Contract for the what you remember about those contracts and the

A. All right. Now, this is coming from Larry

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A : have not heard this from Chosrow Semmani

A. Larry repeatedly said to me and to everybody within his employ that the fun of business is crushing competitors, anybody can conduct business he says, but-

in the Mr. Shelter ever include or suggest that invisions of that intended to order WCS, or prevent WCS team of the course of th

A. All right. I am going way back and I am terrified to tell you what I remember because over the months or over the years since it has been there my memory has coagulated into-- into generalities.

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A. But generally what he would— what he would iterate is that Khosrow Semmani had some political clout in the various counties or a county in Texas in which licenses were to be obtained and that it would be difficult for licenses to be procured by a competitor if he put his mind to it.

2. Did he indicate of suggest that that had been able to potential competitors in the bast?

MP. MINTON: Object to leading the witness.

2. Mr. Mitthell' Did he ever discuss whether

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of the first trings has seen some to competitive in the said.

MS. MISTIN. Came. Deject as Leasurg.

Mr. Mattre... If you retail.

MR. MINTON: You can hake your changes on those. Those leading objections always worry he worse in a deposition than anywhere in the world.

MR. MITCHILL: I near you.

MR. MINTON: I sympathice ith cou.

THE WITNESS: Would you like to reportase that

Q. Mr. Mitchell' Sure, I'll se happy to.

MR. MINTON: Tell me what you--

Q. (Mr. Mitchell) Did you-- fou had indicated to me that if Mr. Semnan: wanted to prevent someone from getting a license or if we wanted someone-- you had indicated that he could make it very difficult for ottantial competitors to get licenses. And my question to you is: Did Mr. Shelton ever discuss what Eliconare had done or not done in connection with other potential competitors other than WCS?

A. That's a two part question. Excuse ms. That's a two part question and to both parts of that question the answer is yes.

Q. All right. And what did he say about Environment's actions towards prior competitors?

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A. Somestly, I need you to be a little more specific in your questions. Se said— he said many things, most specifically relative to Laidlaw/SCDC, but Larry was continually popping off and I frequently struggled to separate fact from fiction with Larry and—that makey I besitate—to even bring it up becausees the rish of— in the rush of competitive battle Larry would say sometimes some things that I was not entirely sure were grounded in fact so I besitate to repeat them here.

actual WCS. The Mr. Shelton or anyone else at intercase, for that matter, ever suggest a particular that they were-- or plan of action or act that they interced with respect to my client?

WR. MINTON: I am going to object as leading.
When I make these objections, they are just for the

THE WITNESS: : ...gerstand.

MR. MINTON: And you can just ignore me. :

wagen't mean to be ruse to you.

THE MITTESS: That's fine.

MP. MINTON: If I con't make objections--THE WITNESS: That's fine. No offense taken.

MP. MINION: -- concerning leading or response.

THE W.T. NESS: : incerstand.

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MR. MINTON: Then I can't make it at tria...

THE WITNESS: I understand your situation.

MR. MINTON: But you go light shead.

THE WITNESS: WCS was only a factor that was prought to my attention very close to my separation with Environment was a master of fact, it was not intimal was fairly heavily interrogated by the F.B.L. some months after my separation from Environate, and it wasn't intil met with them that I even knew your name. You were referred to as a company in Texas.

Q. Mr. Mitchell) All right.

A. And from Larry's point of view it was astromely quaeral and he almost referred to it in a joking manner, you know, as to your hetepah, you know, of what you we \_\_\_\_ o do \_ So it was estremely general at best, it was totally nonspecific and, again, I left around the time that they were quaring up there so--

Q. All right. Well, did Mr. Shelton or anyone in Envirocare ever describe for rou what the purpose if Envirocare's Texas operations were to be?

21 A. They was twofold and, again, this is coming 22 from Larry Shelt.

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A. Ome, of course, was to go down and make

- A And the second was to engage in a competitive ducling, which is where Larry indicated that Khos got the most fun out of life, so--
- : When you say what Larry referred to, were you referred; it the earlier comment that what was fun was colored comments.

MR. MINTON: That's leading. I object to it.
THE WITNESS: Let me put is this way. On the
day that I was hired Larry pave me a book, which I still
take the author's name escapes me, but the name of the
day was "Winning Through Intimidation."

. All right.

- A. It was a silly book but that was his-- their motto.
  - .. Why would be have given you that book?
- A. Se wanted to make sure that we were singing off the same sheet of music effectively.

  - A. It's a corporate cultural thing.
  - . A. right
- A. Mow, I am not -- He also gave about three other copies of that book to other members of my department and I, you know, I don't know why because members of my department, I can be very intimidating but

the members of my staff were about the least intimidating people I have ever met and so I don't understand why be did that. But it is kind of like, "Okay, Larry, I catch your point." So--

- Q. All fight. Why did you end up leaving this company, Envirogate?
- A. I have-- I am not really sure how to word this. I thoroughly enjoyed working for Envirocare I really liked the business and immediately after I left Envirocare I was offered a similar position with Laidlew, but the reason why I left Envirocare was because I was continually at odds with Larry Shelton and Environare's management style.
  - Q. All right.
- A. And I cannot work in an environment where there is-- we were effectively screaming at each other all day and I will continually put in positions that I did not want to be put in and I--
- Q. Can you give me some examples of the Environage management style that you dissipled with or philosophically disagreed with, if that's a cetter was of putting it?
- A. It is my opinion that Envirocare abuses it's employees. The company is alsost obscenely profitable and they underpay and overwork their employees, and that

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is from the salaried managers down to the hourly non-exempts and the hourly exempt employees, and they make promises to their employees which they will not keep regarding rewards and bonuses and company participation, at cetera, at cetera. My biggest problem, of course, was with Larry himself. Larry is and participates in the what we call the ASS process, or management by screaming program, and I personally don't take much offense when my boss screams at me. I was in the military long enough to learn how to deal with that, but the continual obscenities and the screaming at my employees in front of other employees and the screaming at me is front of employees, it was unnecessary, it's a testosterone based company is my opinion and I just don't like the way they do business—period—and so and

- 1. All fight. One of the things you had references was that the company was obscenely strifttable. What bud you bean by that?
  - A. I am going to let that stay on as it stands.
- 1. All right. Den you tell is now much money the prossed in the year or ten months that you were
- A. I can but I don't think I should, to be perfectly homest. I really don't think that's

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necessarily pertinent.

- i. Okay.
- A. To this
- 1. All right
- A. It wasn't so much their gross, anyway, it was their net...
- 2. Well, would you give me the same answer if I asked you what their net was?
  - A. I would have to give you the same answer.
- talking about the management style, was there anything about the management style that you would have considered to be improces from an accounting standard.
  - A. Yes.
- Quive me some examples of some accounting, some occupants of has with the way they did their accounting.
  - A. Let me just give you one example
  - . All right.
- A. And the reason I will give you this example is because it's pretty well documented over there and several other employees were privy to this. But there were several occasions when I first started working there, and later I would say, "I'm not doing this any more," one, because it was stupid, and the other because

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was uncomfortable with it, where I was told that thos wanted a check for "I" amount of money, generally in five to six digits, and leave the payee blank. And I told them from a bookkeeping point of view. I really need a payee, because I need to know how to charge this particular cash expenditures. And I was told it was none of my business, et cetera, et cetera, and I am looking at the person who gave me this particular order thinking, "You must think I'm particularly dumb because this check will come buck from the bank with a payee filled in and I will know who it goes to. " Anyway, this occurred about two or three times and the third, about the third time it happened I went is to Larry and I said, "I can't do this anymore. I can't just out checks anymore with no payee. I mean it's a waste of time." and et cetera, et cetera. He says, "I understand what you're saying." So the next time the request would come down Khos would take money out of the company via transactions through his, effectively his owner's

in the face : interstand.

A. It is a balance sheet issue. If money comes out of the company, it either has to be charged against expense or it has to be taken out of an owner's-- the oner's equity, the--

ank with a payee 10 financial audits of the company when you were there's

A. Yes, I was.

sheet issue and not a P&L issue.

Q. What financial audits were you involved with

Now. Khos was a 100 percent owner of the

company, it's his money, effectively be can do with it

as we wishes once the money goes to him, but -- and in

that case we untild just simply make a check out payable

to Smith Barbey, or whoever, whatever stock company, or

wherever he wanted it to go. But then it was a balance

A. Oh, my swan song. And I knew you were going to ask this and I forgot to bring the name of it. The wary last month I was there, Khos had ordered on his own an internal audit by a CPA firm out of California, a very competent firm, the name of which now escapes me a company that specializes in waste, not just radioactive or nuclear, but just waste in general.

A. And so they were pretty familiar with remediation and anything that has to do with the waste business and he did so. I think, wisely because I think he was concerned about maybe there wouldn't be some Interval Revenue Service exposure and he wanted to make

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sure that ostensibly that he was doing the right thing. So he calls in this company to perform an audit and it was a very-- it was a very-- I don't want to say superficial because it is wasn't superficial, but it was a very top heavy type of an audit: in other words, they weren't getting down into the nitty-gritty details and auditing my accounts receivable, my accounts payable. Basically they were taking a look at sales and the way that we dealt with the remediation and inventory, fixed assets, big things, big things.

A. And they, we have found a lot, Larry Shelton was gone this entire time during the audit rad so the audit completely rested on my shoulders, and I worked intimately with these guys, and my orders were through Khos. "Give these guys whatever they need. Whatever they need, they have got open free reign of the books. Just give them whatever they need."

- A. Pully cooperate, which I did.
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A. And I worked -- one of the gratiemes was a CPA slash lawyer who is a tax attorney, and the other guy was one of the CPAs, one of the partners of the company. And they found, they found a lot and made pages and

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pages of recommandations to Ehos and Larry, they also made some inappropriate recommandations to Larry which just set him off and this was the end for me. They, without my knowledge or my permission they suggested that Larry pull himself out of Envirocare completely and concentrate on Thagras one hundred percent, because they said with his attention split, that neither Envirocare or Thagras was getting the attention from him that they needed.

- 2. Ali might.
- A. Thagres was struggling. And they made the suggestion to him that I take over the financial control of Envirocare. So went through the roof and things got very, very profess and I basically told him to do something which is anatomically impossible and I left.
- Q. Okay. Did you have an opportunity to review the final audit that they did?
  - A. Yes, I did.

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- Q. Okay. Any other financial audits that you were involved with while you were there?
- A. We were continuilly being andited by every state and federal agency that had any regulatory control over Envirocare. We were continually being audited and generally our andits were coming up wary clean, at least from the accounting point of view anyway.

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2. Well was there, in terms of audits that were cone by the terms of audits that were cone by state and seceral entities of the cooks, are you aware of any information that would not have been provided to those whilles that you believe should have by in provided.

A No. I was never told specifically by anybody to withhold information or make it difficult to obtain. My question was Why these audits were so short? I mean agencies or agents would come in to audit our books and they were there extraordinarily short periods of time. An audit that I would have thought would have taken a day or two days would take fifteen or twenty minutes tops. And which, from a me. arial point of view, is lovely for me, I can get back on with life, but I was always vary curious about why they didn't take very long. And that can be standard operating procedure, I don't know this business very well, so I don't know what's normal and what's not normal. But that was the only hing that was curious so--

MR. MITCHELL: All right. Ian we take a short preak!

THE ATTNESS: Me can.

MR. MITCHELL: We have been going about an fold and I do need to run to by note, from to make one buch tone ball.

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rest of the day. For everyood, whose been there, I think. Ms. McKean, I want to go back and just ask just the specific financial information, but the paregroups of financial populations that you worked with For example bud you prepare a package at the end of the bonton to summarize what had happened for the company country that month?

A. Uh-buh, in detail.

Q. All right. What would have seen included in that package, what sort of documents or types of documents?

A. Well, the Pal, the profit and loss statement for both Ihagrus and Envirocare, balance sheet for both companies, statement of cash flow for both companies, and a controller's letter which I attached to the top to each package summarizing, I did variance analysis to explain. We had a budget and so I would provide a variance analysis and then a controller's letter explaining the variances, to whatever extent that ware possible, and the impact thereof, and I did that every month.

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And fight. Its you ever get to the point to where you actually prepared a year and statement that summarises those monthly statements or but all those monthly packages into one large package?

A. I did. I am struggling now to rec mber when their fascal year ended, it may have been on a calendar year. I don't remember, but I know I went through a fiscal year end. I don't think so, I think it was at the beginning of the year, I think their fiscal year ends in the spring but I remember I went through one year end, so I put together a full package and then provided the documentation to the CPA firm for the tax purposes because I didn't do tames.

2. All right. Were the annual financial statements, would they have been prepared by you or an intaine DPA, do you know?

A. They were prepared, they were prepared by me and any, with the exception of any—sorry. Again, I'm thinking slowly. With the exception of any tax adjustment entries that weeded to be made and then the CFA would throw the adjusting entries back at me, and I would throw them and then I would finalise the statements. But 80 percent, 99.9 percent of the statement was completed by me.

1. Death. And then would there have been an

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outside CFA who prepared tax seturns for them for them

A. Yes.

2. All right.

A. Yes.

 And then would those tax returns time case to you for filling?

A. Yes.

a computer or was it a paper system?

A. No, it was a computer system. They used Great Flains Dynamics.

2. All right. is that an operating system

A. Tes. It's a-- well, let's see. They were Windows, it wasn't a DOS operating, they were Windows based and Dynamics is a system that's pretty much designed for manufacturing, it worked well with this particular buriness.

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A. Tes.

2. All fight. Other than whater its 192 described. All fight than as a little fit and a lit

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- A. During my tenure theme, yes, that was the only one. That was the only outside private firm.
- in the fight. And while have seen responsible
  - A. M
- A. I say that hesitatingly because when I was just hired there they had just installed the new computer system and Larry was the one that had chosen the software package.
- A. And it had just gotten up and running. This particular software package had just gotten up and running and then I was primarily responsible for the operation of the-- of this computer system. And when I say, "this computer system," we had a woman at the company who operated-- who worked in the capacity of Khos's secretary slash--
  - 1. Management information supervisor?
- A. Craig would know what her title was, what Debbie did there, but she was in charge of the network. Network administrator is the word I am looking for. She was the network administrator, but I was in charge of

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accounting, the accounting software itself, and we contracted with an outside firm to provide backup support as necessary but--

- 1. Augst, And what were here you said Descue. What was her last hame; or you gemences?
- A. No. Craig would know. I forget Debbie's last name. She was Khos's personal secretary.
  - 2. Secole Forrester or Secole?
- A. Wo, that's Lisa Fourester. That was Craig's-- not Craig's--
  - 2. Jessie Pearsa..?
    - A. Pearsall: Pearsall?

      MR. THORLEY: Pearsall, I think that's ter

hame.

- Q. Mr. Mitchell All right. Who would have neen them was there a separate person who was responsible for maintaining the computers, separate ind apart from her or was she the person?
- A. When you saw maintaining the computers, are you talking--
  - Q. : nean--
  - A. Are you talking about the system--
  - 2. fes, the system.
  - A. Or the bardware.
  - 2. Yes, the system, the system.

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A. It was a cooperative effort. Debbie did the purchasing and the coordination of the c-twork stuff and when PCs had to be purchased she did that but she had no

in the types of financial information that you have included to seems.

control or Laything to do with the accounting function.

- A. Uh-huh
- frofit and less statements, financial statements, these sorts of things, was the computer a statement at it was easy?
  - A. Yeah
  - : : ::::::: information?
  - A. It was a very user friendly system.
- 1. All right. And if, for example, you wanted to find out financial information of out the two companies, Inagrus and Environdate, it wouldn't take very that to retrieve that information?
  - A. Bub-ub. It was all right there.
- 2. All right. As far as-- I think I-- what while the financial package that you described at the end of the month, who would you send that to?
- A. I would send the copy to Khos and to Larry and to, for crying out loud, what was the Veep's name?

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THE WITNESS: Thank you. Thank you. Charles Judd. I would send complete packages to those three guys and then I would send abbreviated packages to the respective managers of their departments; in other words, I would send information that, the PSI information only that had to do with their operating capacities and not postem line information.

- Q. All right.
- A. Top line information either.
- Q. All right. Now, were there also-- You described sort of an end of the month statements that you would prepare and that would be available?
  - A. Oh-huh

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- Q. Can you tell me what other accounting records would have been I mean I assume there would have been payroll records.
- A. We used a payroll service, to be perfectly bonest, and so payroll— but the payroll records fed in through journal entries into my accounting system but, yes, obviously all the prerequisite payroll records were on hand, inventory, inventory control records. I worked a lot with the engineers on—
  - 2. Their rost of processing?
  - A. On basic cost accommating.
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- A Systems And but most all of those records were kept down into my office.
- 2. I bean but they have a set of records that which contains each donner has body that their facility for treatment and disposal?
- A. Sure. Those records are kept in parallel because there would be an accounting set and then there would be the operational set that, you know, that the customers would sign off on, and the engineers and the operations folks would keep their copies of all the records.
  - 1. All right. And I assume those documents would also estimate the cost versus the revenue for whatever is coming into the site to be processed and disposed of: would that be fair?
    - A. In a--
    - 1. I'm thinking of cost of goods sold--
    - A. In a very crude way
    - 1. But 1 know it's not cost of goods sold?
    - A. Tes. It's cost of operations, right.
  - Cost of operations. All right. And then will you prepare in addition to cost of operation, I team would there be documents setting out allocation of owneral overnead? Was that done, do you know?
    - A. Not exactly. We did not charge the

departments like you would in a manufacturing operawe would not iharme the departments, they were not responsible for their overhead.

- . Clay.
- A. At that time. So it wasn't necessary. I mean I did it internally and to keep, to keep a handle on costs but the managers were not responsible for their share.
  - Q. All right. So you--
  - A. Fenalized
- 2. So you would for accounting purposes at the end of the month--
  - A. Right.
    - Q. --allocate general overnead?
- A. Right. They were basically responsible for their direct expenses.
- Q. Okay. I see. Was there a step where its reconciled bank accounts?
  - A. Ub-hub. Ub-\_\_\_
  - 2. All right. Who was the one who bid that
- A. Well, when I first got there, the same person who was reconciling the bank accounts was the same person who was cutting the checks and, consequently, when I was there about two months one of our former employees was arrested for embessiement and then after

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that I took over the-- I took over the responsibility for the reconciliation of the bank accounts.

- . When you say the same person was outling the onerks and reconciling the pank accounts?
  - A. Ub-hub.
  - . Mil was that terson?
- A. Sis name was Lance Davis. I think his last name was.
  - i. A. ::::::
- A. But there's some question about that because be had some aliases as we would find out.
  - a. Dray.
  - A. That's bow I know him.
- 1. All right. When you say empetilement, you mean empetilement from the company?
  - A. Uh-buh.
- 1. All right. And do you know if he was just fired to proseputed, or now that was solved?
- A. As a matter of fact, I fired him for incompetence the weak prior to my discovering this. See, what I did that the controller, I mean it's not that I'm the world's greatest accountant, or anything, this was just standard operating procedure for a controller, is every month you do a variance analysis and the guy that was there before me wasn't doing

variance allowances, and so the minute you do a variance analysis then you can see, "Eey, I'm ten dollars over or a hundred, or a thousand, or \$10,000 over in this particular line item." You would see that there were charges going against it, which you investigate, and then you find— Anyway, I fired him for incompotance and a week later found some handert lecks written to his bank account, I mean there was— it was a kindargarten emberslement effort. It was extremely easy to check.

- C. All right.
- A. And so he was picked up
- Q. Okay. You just needed someoody to look for it, I guess. What about accounts received as his west they maintained?
  - A. In what way?
  - Q. Were they maintained in the computer records
  - A. Ch-beh.
  - . Was there a pateral legger?
- A. Tes. There's-- they were all the standard accounting controls. I mean the accounting department was, by the time I left it was very very well-- very well defined with all the appropriate controls and the was a separate AR system.
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schlichers records on were there turingle weream there increased accounts to the country of the country.

A. As far as the accounting system, there was effectively one set.

A. Bells and whistles go off. What do you sman. effectively' Some of the sumbers that had to be reported to various federal exencies or state agencies came off of my accounting records. Some of the numbers would come off of operation records. And this was another concern of mine and Larry's. Larry was very involved in this, too, because the records did not necessarily gibe and so that was a big effort of mine toward the end to try to get the engineering slash operation records to jibe as far as -- It's difficult in this business, if you know this business, and I am sure you probably know quite a bit abo . . t by now, when you take a big hole and you put stuff in it, the amount of stuff that you have put in it comes from receiving records off of trucks or off of trains, and it is generally measured in cubic feet or cubic yards. Well. then you fill up a hole and you say, "Okay. By engineering standards this bole will hold "I" number of hic yards or cubic feet and you put stuff in 't. .1, stuff settles, so you can put more stuff in it.

So there are adjustments that have to be made to the capacity to the hole. So the numbers that we would be reporting as far as the amount of waste received or the amount of waste in, you know, in a cell would vary, and for some years there there had been no steps taken to reconcile the—what accounting said. This is what we have got on hand, "vis-a-vis what the engineers say. This is what we have on hand." And, again there was no maliciousness, there was no bad stuff going on, it was just basic incompetance on the part of accounting department about why this had not been reconciled. And that, as far as that is concerned, that's why those

- Q. All right. Were those-- Basically what you are telling me is that information reported to what? Adendies?
- A. Well, the various agencies, you had to report your wastes, both in terms of quantity and dollars to Tocale County, to the State of Utah, and to the various federal agencies who all wanted to know about how much waste you are taking in for different reasons, you know.
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differences occurred.

A. Tooele is taking money, the state is taking money, and then they are trying to regulate it at the same time, so--

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- . All first 1 duess what you are tailing the is coal sometimes the information that was reported to the agenties in Tiestion would come from the engineering tailing and sometimes that information would come from the duality records?
- A. Right. Depending on what the agency using the information wanted to use the information for.
- The Me're point to report the information that's in the steration records were is the accounting records? Who will have that becision, if anybody made that decision?
- A. Well, it wasn't haphasard. It would depend. For example, we had to pay fees to Tooele County based on cash receipts, which is an ususual way of paying fees.
- A. We would pay fees to the State of Utah based on based on our waste streams and based on the satisfy takes is during that particular month, not ad on cast receipts.
  - 2. 4. :: ::
- A. And so it depended, again, if, see, Utah was interested into it for two reasons: A. They warted their money out of it. Those were my reports. B. They were keeping their hands on the regulation of this, and

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those would come from engineering reports or operation reports.

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- A. So that's how that was defined.
- 2. All right, were the differences between the engineering or operational records and the accounting records ever reconciled while you were there?
- A. I was doing that toward the end of my tenure there.
  - Q. All right.
- A. And I was working hand-in-hand with the Director of Operations, a gwy by the name of Greg Copeland, and--
  - Q. All right.

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- A. So Greg and I ware working non-stop on trying to figure out what the differences were.
- Q. All right. Would you have any informationand I think the answer will probably be no, but do you have any information about the personal financial records of the owner of the company?
- A. No, those are all done by the accountant I referred to before, Tim Blackwar.
- Q. All right. And so those records were kept separate from the company records?
  - A. Very separate.

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i. A. fight. And I think just so that I who hear about this is in about the financial statements. Literals accounting about Third coare of Texas interaction, that was not something that you had any classical off a statement and the something that you had any classical off as that true?

A The Texas operation?

A. That's correct. I had no knowledge of it.

All right. The thing on the comments that you had heard about my right, all all aryone at Environage ever say anything to you actual comments that someone from my client might have hade about Environage; in other words, reported to you comments that were attributed to somebody associated all the client chat you know of?

A. Not to my recollection.

1. All right. Who ended up taking over your job

A. I'm clueless. I know that it want unfilled for some time but I have no idea.

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NA. MITCHELL: Sive me just a moment. She wants to take a preak.

MP. MINTON: She said you are going to take a

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MR. MITCHELL: I'm fixing to pass the witness atless these guys belone that I've some

MR. MINTON: : inderstand.

MR. MITCHELL: Anything else that they want he ton- let be get leff a second.

prepared for Environment end package that to prepared for Environment end package that to prepare a financia. Those types of financia statements for other entities that Mr. Seminar that have owned; for example, if he had an interest that Engineering or the Semnan: Foundation or an interest company that he owned, were your did to ever have access to financial information for those entities you ever prepare financial statements or accounts.

A. The answer is I had some but limited access
to some of the information for thos: titles and I
never prepared financial statements for them. They were
completely out of the realm of my parisdiction.

Q. All right. And did you ever have access to the accounting records, the complete accounting records of those entities?

A. No.

popuments for those entities?

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1. All right. Did you know someone named

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. Anat is your inderstanding of the fole that

A. He had several capacities there in the accounting function. He was terminated. I was hired to replace him.

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A. And Larry worked with him for some months and to-did not get along. Victor worked-this is hearsay. Okey. This was what was told to me, but I was told that Victor had worked for Khos for some years, for a few years, and had worked first for Envirocare, and then for Ebos directly, and then back for Envirocare, and then for Ebos directly, and then back for Envirocare, and he was just kind of trying to find a niche and Victor was charged with the responsibility of doing everything.

Consequently, nothing got done well and that was the problem-that's the reason that I-be was replaced and I was brought in because he, first of all, I don't think that he had a degree. I know he wasn't a CPA, I don't think he had a degree. and his accounting background was almost more of a

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A. Accounting manager type of thing and he had no manufacturing background and that's what I brought to the table. And so he hadn't prepared any financial statements. When I got there, when I was hired at the endeof 1995 there had been no Simancial statement prepared the entire year before. Bless you. So there had been no financial statements and so my charge when I first got there was to publish a whole year's worth of financial statements and so Victor was more intimately involved with Khos personally then I ever was.

2. Skay.

A. And then Khos, that portion was taken over by Tim.

Q. Where were the main accounting files stored

A. The current files were kept on the premises there is the building in the Accounting Department which when I laft was on the first floor of the Towers building and them prior records were kept in what I would refer to as the energies or referred to as the crack house in a house that was taken over by Envirocare and they had thrown some of engineers over in that building which is like 3rd Best or somewhere around there here in Salt Lake City.

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- A So that's where all the old records were
- in the result of the engineers and then to you there are the sending waste to in the result of the sending waste to the sending waste to the send of t
- A. No, receivables were handled through the Accounting Department and I'd say that almost exclusively, I can't think of any exceptions, for the first six months I was there, five months I was there, they came via check. A couple of months before I left we instituted a lock box.

- A. And so them the deposits were mailed directly to the lock box.
- 2. Aug right. And then after thecks were decreated would they some dack to you?
  - A. Cub?
- 1. I mean after you deposited onecks from fustimers or bid you deposit onecks from customers in the back!
  - A. No. We had a -- we had a runner
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A We prepared the deposit and them a runner would drive it over to the bank

- in And then sitered I assume then at some point siter the dark accounts were reconfilled that the checks would be offer would they go off and be stored at this testile of what would happen to the bandelied checks?
- A Ub-bub. The current period, current year, were kept on site and then the rest were deposited in the morque.
- Q. All right. Was there any kind of a document retention policy there, and by document retention policy. I mean were the accounting records destroyed after a certain period of time or did they just maintain the accounting records?
- A. The accounting records were for the most part all there present and accounted for During the audit prior to when the accountants came in from Los Augeles we had difficulty laying our hands on some really old records, some backup for prior financial—for prior income tax returns, and I was having a lot of difficulty getting my hands on some of the records. I attributed that to carelessness on Victor's part, but what I did was let my accounting department know that the basic retention policy was seven years for the accounting records per se.

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- A. And so that's--
- acre concerned. Your policy of the policy in your partners acres to be acres to be seen the resemble of the service of the ser

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- tenentian policy that you are aware of that was operated at the impan, we need to destroy records, or memos, or e-mail within a certain period of time?
- A. Larry had an industrial strength shredder down in his office but it wasn't-- that was as far as stuff that was going on them but as far as records go, to the best of my knowledge I have no close what engineering records or operations records were-- what their policies were. All I know is what affected the Accounting Department per se.
- 2. All right. You had indicated there was a time period for which occuments were hard to find. Do it remember and time period that would have been for?
  - A. No, it was sporadic. I know Khos had some concern with his tax returns from the previous three filings and by and large the cause for his concern was due to the incompetence of the CPA firm that had been

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retained here in Selt Lake. It was an individual, be was not geared up to handle a company as big as Envirocare and be made a lot of mistakes and so the mistakes on the tax returns would have left Khos in what we refer to is the Accounting Espartment—as sort—of a red light kind of a status and be was afraid some of the mistakes were so large that he would have been susceptible to an audit and so that's why he pulled those guys in. So my awareness of records being difficult to get my hands on was the three or four weeks prior to the auditors coming in and taking a look at them and I mean I was just— I was cussing nonstop because I had difficulty laying my hands on stuff. But, again, I blasse that on incompetence more than anything else.

- Q. Okay. Fair enough. Were there any non-American or foreign bank accounts that you were aware of?
- A. Oh, some for the company. Home for the company.
  - Q. Any that you were aware of for Mr. Semnant?
- A. Well, those had residences in many places and I know he speet a fair amount of time in England and I remember bearing something very, very vaquely about in England but to my knowledge there were no bank accounts

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A for were never asked to transfer money into any foreign bank accounts?

A. No. se.

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A. I can't tell you that because --

. Chan's the duliding right next to ours?

A. Tes. I know Khos moved his office here some time ago but the offices for Envirocare were located in this building, in the crack house, the building on 3rd West and the Clive operations so--

2. Skay. So you know if-- What do you call the complex that's right next to the hotel? Is it the Commercial Towers?

A. Euh-uh. The Commercial sector, there's condominium residences on the top how many ever floors and then the bottom few floors are the commercial.

A. Do you know if those buildings are owned by any of the Semmani entities?

A. S. E. Eart owns the-- owned the Commercial sector of a portion of those buildings.

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A. And was integral, of course, they had a

board, and so there was definitely a presence there by

1. Ikav. Other than the London residence that to referenced.

A. I don't know, I have to back up. I don't know that that was a residence. I am not sure--

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A. But that was Khos and I kept my fingers out of his pies. I don't know if that was a residence. I know he has relatives there.

Q. Okay. Well, let me just ask you. Had you neard of residences that he had other than in Sain Lave.

A. Khos had west real estates holdings.

Q. All right And why do you say that

A. Why do I say that? Because he had vast real estate holdings. I don't know what were residences and what was leased property or, et cetera, et cetera. I don't know and I was never particularly interested enough to pursue that. He had relatives that were in England. He-- I know he had property in California and property in Park City, and I just-- but I don't know what was a residence for him and what wasn't other than the one up here.

Q. Do you know the extent of his real estate noidings?

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MR. MINION: If we can take about a ten or differ finite preak. Let's hope that we can get through a twelve-thirty. Dan you go through and we get through like even if we went to green matters or one?

THE WITNESS: Yes.

MR. MINTON: Well, sometimes people who don't eat preakfast faint at linch and I ate breakfast so I

MR. MITCHELL: If Roy thinks that we can be sine, and I have no reason to doubt him, I think it's test just to or craight on through and we'll finish it

MR. MINTON: If that's oka,.
THE WITNESS: I would prefer.
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ETAMINATION

To Minion Sood morning, Ms. McKean. I am For Minion, and we have talked off the record but you and I have not bet until today; is that correct?

A. That's correct.

; I represent Environage and severa.

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Texas, and I want to ask you a few questions about the testimony that you have given on direct. And I will to preak it down into dategories as I go a one. The first thing that I want to find out from you if I have sand you have talked to about any of the sort of things that you talked about this morning or any other thing about your experiences with Environment of the talking about talking to the lawyers for the time. I am talking about talking to the lawyers for the times side, or any investigators, or any law enforcement agencies or such as that. Do you understand

A. Uh-huh.

Q. Beginning with after you left, let be take up. Prior to the time that you left there the time any occasion to talk to any state or faceral agency of any investigators or lawyers that so far as it which investigators are lawyers that so far as it which investigators are aware of those conversations.

A. No, some whatsoever. Home whatsoever during my term of employment and since them only two entities. Some menths after my termination with Envirocare I got a phone call from an investigator that I would later find out represented WCS and I spoke with him in an extreme! cursory fashion and--

. What was his hare. 20 ... ...

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A. I do not remember !--

e all it his het.

A. Yes it was Paul Bierly.

A. Ies, we spoke for 20 minutes in a very general sort of way and what he was looking for I could not give him and at that time I im not sure I would have given it to him anyway because I just wanted to wash my hands of Envirocare but he was looking for something very, very specific. Everything hit the newspapers a few months after I left and Envirocare was on the front page of the newspaper for weeks and weeks and weeks.

2. Acous what we sail the Anderson situation?

A. It started with the Larry Anderson situation and then, you know, ... lous entities were suing Khos and you would read about that in the paper and so most of the questions that he would-- was asking me was trying to substantiate what I had read in the newspaper so--

The subject of you can. I am not not one you to any youngering you can, that you recall.

A. I can't give to you specifics.

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A. In a general sort of way he wanted to know bether or not-- it was more blatant than these

questions. "Sas anybody." you know. "talked to you about my-- the company I represent in Texas, what they were planning on doing to us." et cetera, et cetera. And the answer to all this was basically, "Bo." And he got some general information about how long, well, he confirmed some information. Se knew a lot about me and would not divulge from whom or from where he learned this, but he knew how long I had been there, what I did there, where

I was before. He knew all this stuff and so basically I

was confirming or danying some of the stuff that be had.

Q. Let me ask you this: I am not sure I know what you mean when you say he was more platant and was saying, "Do you know something about," and I inferred it to be what Environage was boing to WCS but perhaps I misunderstand you.

A. Well, when MCS -- When MCS lawyers ask me a question they couch it in terms so that they don't lead. He had no aversies to saying: "Did you know that they were doing this?" Or "Did you know that they were doing that?"

1. That Invircoare was? I'm sorry.

A. Yes, Envirocare was doing that

Q. In other words, telling you things about Environage's conduct?

A. He -- Yes, he would make these comments and

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then ask me to confirm them or deny them. And--

2. It is remember what things he was telling

A. No, I can't. Most of it had to do with Larry Anderson and then there was the name of a woman whose name was remotely familiar to me, and did I know her?

""" was a lobbyist for Envirocare and I knew her by name only. I had no contact with her. And he asked me if I had ever written a check to her and the answer was no. Se had asked me if I had ever written a check to Larry Anderson and the answer was no. I mean he was asking those kinds of questions.

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A. And the conversation didn't last particularly long but be particularly know quite a bit about me already and I sman be wasn't offensive, just doing his job. But, so I had a conversation with him for 20 or 30 minutes some weeks meybe months after I left and them he called me back about a month prior to the repposens wasking me if I would object to being, you know, having any deposed. And I said there are other things that I would rather do. I wouldn't fight it but I wasn't looking forward to it, I would rather they not and I said the reason? would rather not be deposed is because my memory after a year was not particularly clear on

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detail and anyway. And I-- And that was over the phone and I never heard from him again so that was twice. However, in about four or five weeks after I briefly spoke with Bierly the F.B.I called me and they called me to their office and I spent--

Q. Do you remember the name of the agent or agents?

A. There were many agents there.

Q. Can you remember any name?

A. No. I have all their cards at home but I don't remamber their names right off.

Q. Did they mention anything about Bierly or just four or five weeks after you talked with Bierly they asked you-

A. No, they didn't mention his name at all. What their interest was in a completely different direction than Bierly's interest, so--

18 Q. All right. They asked you to come to their 19 offices here in Salt Lake?

A. Yes.

Q. And sid you so that?

A. Yes, I did.

Q. To you mind telling me what they taked to you about?

A. Their questioning was very much along the

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Lines of the questioning here today. They were more interested in what I would consider would be-- or let me back mp, in what I might have considered to be improprieties with officials, with state, county or federal officials. They briefed me on a state investigation which was ongoing up until the time that they got involved with it and apparently they told me that the state investigation had been superseded by their investigation and was briefing me along the lines of that

- ... Assil something different or in addition to anst land telep to as the Anderson investigation?
  - A. Both
  - 1. Both the Angerson and--
- A. And they wanted to know about Khos's business dealings, his competitive nature. The time that I was called into the F.B.I it had hit the newspapers that there there death threats attributed to Khos against former employees and they asked me whether or not such death threats had been made against me and the answer was no. Be asked me if I had been contacted up to that point by former employees of Envirocare and with the exception of Debbie for a little while after I left, the secretary, the answer was no, and they were more interested again in what I would refer to as political

improprieties

- \*fat you mean, but so I am not quessing, so you hard telling me what you think they were talking about in political improprieties?
- A. They wanted to know had Khos made payments or given large gifts to federal, state or county officials
- A. They wanted to know whether or not he had made threats, death or otherwise, against competitors and that sort of thing.
  - Q. What did you tell them?
- A. Well, regarding the death threats. I have never heard of such a thing.
- Q. Right. I'm pleased to hear that since i'm
- A. Tes, I don't think it's his modus operand: to threaten you once you have left. I think the best that I can do at this point is say that I have personal strong feelings about things that went on in Envirocare I have absolutely no proof to that regard except strong feelings and, therefore, I would rather not say.
- the F.B.I., and now has Mr. Bierly not gotten back in touch with you since the telephone call some--

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- A No
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- A. No, he just asked me about the deposition.
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- A. He tried. I should say be tried many times but I wasn't returning his phone calls.
  - ina. . Apout now many times did he call?
  - A. Se probably called three or four times.
  - . A. fisht. Do you have--
  - A. An answering muchine.
  - . Answering machine, thank you.
  - A. Yes.
  - 1. And he would leave messages on it?
  - A. Ob-bub.
  - 2. And you just wouldn't return the ball?
  - A. Uh-buh
- 1. Dray. Now, then, so we know that you talked to Mister- 1 indepstand that you have talked to Mr. Buer.
  - A. Ob-hub
- the Pederal Bureau of Investigation. Have you talked to any of the lawyers or--
  - A. No.

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- A. That's it.
- 1. 1s that ::?
- A. No. I take that back, that's not true. That's not true. I called Washington, Egan, about tro weeks ago to find out if there was any way I could wease) out of this today.
  - 2. And did you talk to Mr. and
  - A. Who did I talk to? Did I talk to you MR. LAWRENCE: Yes.
  - Q. (Mr. Minton) Did they let you weasel?
  - A. I'm here.
- Q. All right. Did Mr. Bierly ever in any may suggest to you that your personal safety might be in panger?
- A. No, not directly. We was -- When I first met him, what he had done was, he had driven up to my home when I was out flying one afternoon and my husband was in the front yard and so he goes up to Kelly and he said, "I'm Paul Riarly and I'm an investigator." It was very clock and dapparish, so when I got home that night Kelly was just blanched. Too know, because the guy has come up. And there was a little—it was a little theatrical. And then when he made contact with me ove the telephone, "I really need to talk to you. This is extremely important and I understand that you may be

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fearful for your safety "I'm not fearful for my safety I fly airplanes "I mean I'm not afraid of Thos Semmani not from a personal, you know, not from a tissue damage point of view

A So he was a little theatrical but, again, I-there is nothing there that I have to be afraid of

A. That I know of from Khos Semmani.

1. Need this meeting that he had with your historia actor to had called you and talked to you on the telephone for it or if minutes or before?

A. Oh. no. He was trying to find me

2. Cta.

A. And Kelly and I had been married only a few months before and so the name that he had for me wasn't even my married name. The name that he had for me was Chytraus.

A. And that was the name that he was trying to find me under and so then I'm not really sure. I'll never know or care how he found out that I was a McKean. Be found out I was a McKean, he found out where I lived and then he went to go approach Kelly to find out if this Jennifer McKean formar Chytraus lived here so

that's the only contact be bad with Kelly

It is all est after than than its takes to right the store?

A. Yes, it was after that.

A. Tes

1. And that's ut'

A. Yes

2. Oka, for talked earlier according a agreement that you signed when I was talking to it about it. Let me have a copy of that there to have size I know what I'm talking about. I think these are connable these both the same thing?

A. This is the subpoens.

MS. DICKIE: That's it, Poy.

Tall he a little hore, Mrs. McKean, about the preparation of the aboutent that you signed. This ye explained to is that this is not the appearant that you signed to be as though you had tiped it for the bost part increased is not near accurate?

A. No, that's not entirely true. The original employment agreement had been prepared by, my understanding, by Lisa Forrester some years before.

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A. It was just a blue paper, like a sheet protector kind of a thing, and inside it talked about what Envirocare was, what they did, you know, the normal propaganda sheets that companies give you, and at the back of it was an old form of the employment agreement. And Larry said, "Don't sign this one because we are in the process of revemping it, there's same things we want to— rame additions and changes we want to make." And so the one that I signed was— eventually came down from— to me from Lisa, I signed it, and then it was put in the back of that book that I had.

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A. So, and the print, and the reason that I know this is not it, because this looks very nice, this is not what the one that I signed looked like, it was this. This was what--

Q. And you're pointing to the page that's got a signature on it.

A. Yes.

D. Right?

A. Yes. Page 5. This was the type of thing that I signed. Bow, in assence, this is very similar, and in essuace, I mean in talked about.— Thos is very, very concerned about confidentiality.

Q. Right.

A. His personal affairs, he is phenomenally secretive about it, and he is— he was almost manic about making sure that if you worked for the company that you were not going to divulge any secrets which, of course, is entirely appropriate. And it talked basically about intellectual property, I remember, which I don't see in here right offhand, and I remember there wasn't a section in there about remedies for breach.

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A. But I do remamber talking to Larry who told me that, "Teah, we can put the remadies for breach in here but it wouldn't withstand a court of law," he said. SHEET 11 PAGE 91 -

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because, you know, you can put anything in there you want, he said. "It won't necessarily hold up." But it was in there. But this is not, on the face of it, this is not the one that I signed, so, anyway.

All right. Landerstand, Lappreciate your advanation. There's some other things Lwanted to be alle that Landerstood, you talked at "Lwon't say a storedure, a rabit that either Khos had or deene did taking theory which would be, Lwould fall them generally speaking expens theory. In my law firm we have theory that we call operating that anything that we will on what generally speaking is going to be an excesse of operating a business. Do you understand me?

A. Ob-bub

Me make exceptions. People go in there and make a loan to themselves for a nundred dollars, or give their wife money to pay the whatever, and write it all in there, and then they've got do reimburse it, but minetheless that account is for that. And I got the intression that they were asking you to hand out onecks where the payee wasn't listed in the check. Is that

A. No and yes

. Oray, give me-- you tell be.

All right. The so portion is that's not how

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we operated there. There was a basic check stock for the operating account.

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A. And the-- a hand cut check, which would be ripped off the top of the check stock and typed out, and so there wasn't a separate expense checking account per se.

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A. And the sizes of these checks, the few these few checks were, by my estimation, everything being relative, they were large.

Q. How much?

A. Somewhere berwan four and five digits

Q. Weil, let me--

A. And I can't be more specific than that but--

Q. Four digits would be in the thousands, five digits could be up to 99,000.

A. In the tens of thousands. That s--

Q. All right. Do remember the size-- its say there were about three?

A. I remamber there were two checks that I let go that way and the third check I pitched a fit about. I mean at this point I go into Larry's office and I said. "I am not-- I can't do this anymore." And so Larry, he agreed with me and he said. "You shouldn't be put into

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this position," and he said "I will handle it." And so then what he did was he took the check up to Khos, there was a conversation to which I was not privy, and he brought it downstairs and he said, "Khos is going to make a withdrawal of equity."

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A. And at that point, fine that's all I needed to know.

. All fight. Let me go back and be sure that I inderstand what you're saying both as to the chappropriateness that you seem to feel that it was.

A. Ub-hah

And as to, as you point out, the sheeks come

A. Oh-buh, they come back.

2. And when those came back did you see who the

A. Seck, yes.

2. Who were they made out to?

A. I don't remamber. I don't remamber. They were made out to- both times the checks came back made out to individuals whose names I did not recognize at the time and I don't remamber at this time.

C. Okay. Do you remember approximate time

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A. Well, they were early on in my hire so I would guess that they would have been somewhere between December and February, December of '95 and February of '96. They were early on.

Q. I'm looking for when it was. Year, you started working there December of '91, and you think these were within the first several months, these four, or five months?

A. Uh-huh. The first, the first comple of weaths.

Q. And that they were thecks that would have been somewhere in the thousands of pollars?

A. Uh-hah.

Q. Okay. And there were two of them:

A. There were two that I released that way

C. OKAY

A. Know my, of course, that they were going to come back, and I would see -- I mean I had to know where they were going to go.

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A. First of all, I mean how do you-- you know. where on the P&L would you charge an expense?

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- A. But thank you for --
- in the facts. Batte Bat I wee't tell it west I made un accounting. Tell me. I am not a max lawyer, I intow the when I im see the, I guess I can say that, but I so not understand the unappropriateness of that and that's soot of a personal thing with me, because in my collists I have an operating sneck that I took from the if appoint and I carry it around with me and if I ever need in l'm degre de fall ut out and sign it, and I won't if even tall them what it was and the ne sets it cand he \*... 38, 1131 .1's 1131, and he ones onnw. about .1. But when I'me saud, "What us wrong with that?" He hist fals, "it makes more work for me."
  - A. All right.
  - Tim. what ease as there inappropriate --
  - A. I have no aversion to work whatsoever, however, one of the checks came back and I was told to

charge it against donations

- Charitable donations
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- A. Right.
- And you ald hater you ald hat once his .: could be a charitable constaion; is that correct?
- A. I did not know to whom it went and I had some internal problems with that. First of all, donations in my estimation should have been handled through the Foundation, that's my personal opinion.
- Q. Okay. But there's sertainly nothing arons with the corporation making a donation, is there?
- A. That's correct, however, as the controller if money goes against something that is charged to a donation and we undergo an audit and they come back and they say, "Mey, this check that's made out to such and such or to so and so for \$5,000 charitable donation. is this a tax deductible expense? If it's proper, yes, it is. If it's not proper, no, it isn't. Now, as a controller what I am there to do is, of course, to protect his assets, so to speak, and to be able to tell the IRS. "I stand behind what I have done here. I made

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this charge against donations and I stand behind the fact that it's a donation." I couldn't do it. I could not have sworn.

- and I respect it. Any other reason that you thought of 18 18 18 11 .TTTTET
- A. That was sufficient. I did not know if it was a donation.
- MR. MINTON: 1437. Two minutes to change. As all ist sit here and watch you, to see if you do a 1111 110.

off the record.

- . Mr. Minton) Let se talk to you a little and apply that, bu call it management by screaming or \*\*\* \*\*\*\*\*\*
  - A. That's not my management style.
- . No. Tell me what you said because I wrote it Tian but i'm not soing to to back through--
- A. That was Larry's management style. Se was a very, very-- how would you say? So has a very emptional individual.
  - . . . have been given to inderstand that. Has least ever streamed at you?
    - A. Crang?

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- A. I don't think Craig has ever screemed at anybody in his entire life. Bo, Craig has never screamed at me.
  - Q. How about Khos?

MR. MITCHELL: I definitely disagree with

THE WITNESS: Now, that I think accut it. No. Khos is also not -- Khos is not a screamer. Khos is in intimidator but Khos is not a screamer.

- Q. Mr. Minton) All right. Well, who, I'm not 11 guarreling with you about it, this is truly discovery. I'm trying to find out if I'm going to have to hear 13 this, I would rather hear it and know something apput it 14 now rather than for the first time in Andrews, Texas next April. August it is. They wanted April, we got August.
  - A. Uh-bah
  - Q. Give me a little better idea as to ano engaged in this screaming at you or at your people, ..... employees. Who?
- A. My situation at Revirocare was that I was developing alcers from working with Larry Shelton. I 122 23 mean it was just, I was sleepless for months and I am not -- I am not a weepy, emotional type, and when somebody can drive me to tears, I've gone over the edge

I had a male employee that -- and Larry had screamed

Basically Larry was continually threatening me with my job "You either do it this way or you find another job. " And I go, "Screw you, I'll find another job." And be would never fire me, he continually threatened to fire me. Se was continually threatening to fire me but he never did. And he would -- I had an office in the --I had an office that was separate in the accounting office, you know, with a door on it, and he would come . in and throw stuff on my deak and the obscenities would flare without the basefit of having a closed door which wouldn't matter too much anyway. But I don't mind being screamed at but it is very demoralizing for my staff when he would come in and call me these -- these interesting names and, you know, he would tell me, you know, "You're as idiot," and he knew I wasn't as idiot. He knows I wasn't incompetent. He knew I had done a good job for him. And he knew, that was the one place where he could get to me, was to tell me I was incompetent but he knew that I wasn't. And, you know, and then be would leave and he would scream, he would dash out and siam the door and, you know, then the rest of my staff would come in and they're all hangdog, "Are you okay?" "Teah, I'm okay. Everything is fine. Go back to work." But they were terrified of him and-that's not true. The women were. There was -- we had --

this male employee quite a bit, too, and it was altogether an uncommortable working situation. Now when I first started working there it was not that way We were very tight, we were drinking buddles, et cetera. or ceters. Then he moved over to Ibagrus and then things started happening, pressure started building on him on the business side, and Thagrus was giving him a lot of trouble, customers were giving him a lot of trouble, compounded by the fact that he was trying to quit smoking, compounded by the fact that he was drinking a lot, compounded by the fact he was having problems at home, and he was working huge, I mean inordinate numbers of hours a day. I would go in on a Saturday or a Sunday and he was there and he was just nonstop working. And so when our -- the breakdown in our relationship started to occur I was attributing this to maybe personal things that were going on and Khos was continually unhappy with him, and he --- uld take that and he would just emplode on me and I was okay, that was okay with me for awhite, because he and I were fairly tight, but them about two months prior to my leaving there when he was fully enveloped in the Thagrus stuff his temper tentrums were becoming unbearable and a month before I left I went up to Charles Judd and I said. "I

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can't handle this anymore. I don't have to work in an environment like this." And Charles said. "I will talk to him. " He said, "You're right. You don't have to work in this kind of environment." Charles went down and talked to Larry, told Larry, "Cool it." And Larry let Charles leave the office and then he exploded. "How dare you go talk to Charles Judd. " And I saw "Larry, if things don't change like this, y a're going to find yourself another controller." And he goes, "That suits me fine." Hell, anyway, he left on a trip, on a business trup for Thagres and thee the auditors came in and I worked with the auditors. Larry came back and he was very, very unhappy about, I mean at this point there was nothing that I could do to please him. I mean the accounting department was working extremely well, there was no problems in the accounting area. I don't know, I'm speculating. I doe't know if it was a threat issue, I don't know whether everything, you know, sometimes, I don't know, maybe I just rubbed him the wrong way, I don't know, but two days before I turned in my final resignation I went up to Khos and I said. "Khos." I said. "This has gone as far as it can go." And I went to go talk to Khos at the suggestion of my peer. Tim Blackmar, who was the accountant working for Thos at the time, and Tim and I -- I think I was the only person in

the company that fim got along with, probably too well. but -- No. No, not like that, Craig. But, anyway. Tim told me, "Go talk to Khos. Go talk to Khos. Khos will make it right," you know, "Khos will get you out of the situation with Larry. But, bey, business is business Larry was his CFO, I was the controller that reported to his CFO. If a decision had to be made, I knew where that decision was going to go and I am a bic boy, figuratively speaking, and I was propared to be-- I was prepared to be let go, because at any -- you know, Larry was threatening mm on a daily basis. So I went up to talk to Khos two days before the and and Khos says, "Oh I can't believe this about Larry. Larry is so even tempered, Larry is so this, and Larry is so wonderful."

He sees a different size of him

A. Well, yes, I mean, you know, but -- and he says, "I will talk to him." He says, "I will talk to Larry." Se says, "But," and then he added a careat which I know was going to come, and was expecting it, be goes, "But I can't armchair quarterback," and that wasn't his words, but he said, "I don't want to armchair quarterback my senior management and if they make this decision, if Larry has made this decision he can't work with you, he can't work with you." And I go. "That's cool with me. That's fine with me. " And the next day

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Larry exploded at me again for the last time in front of the auditing staff and the anditors told him that his behavior, they told him, "Your Sehavior is inappropriate " And Larry said. " I don't care if she work lor me . And I went downstairs and packed up my stuff, some of g stuff, and I split and I never went back

A. That was it--

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A. It was ugly

1. That's tou're saying and that was too bad.

were there any others, you know, you and I han sit here and feel like: Why sigh't Khos go more? At 1.20't list to total it stratogy. I meaner

A. I don't even ask those questions

1. I'm the libest buy in our place, too, and the 're proceed, loss of people that say, "Why poesn't that our man or home." And I should no more. But were there any others in detween you and too management that were doing in streaming it you?

A. No. I had continual -- I had a continual personality conflict with Lise Forrester but she--

Lisa Forrester --

Perind he what her dosution is: I should

A. That's a good question. I'm not really sure what her position is. Her title was secretary to Charles Judd.

A. But she had worked for Charles for a long time and I don't think that their revelationship was sexually intimate but it was extremely intimate and Lisa -- there was an attempted power struggle when I first got there and I don't engage in power struggles. I mean it was just -- And so Lise and I were continually at odds with each other and she would go to Charles, who would them go to Khos saying, "I can't get along with Jennifer. " And so Charles would say, "Why can't you get along with bar?" I mean it's like, "I want to this Just, you know, I want to do my work. Let me go fly this damm place and let Lisa go do her thing." But that was it. I had an extremely tight working relationship with Greg Copeland, who is manager of operations, and he was the person that I worked with most of the time outside of my immediate department.

2. Did you have much to do with Craid Thorley? know he's sitting here and you hate to start campaining

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A. Craig was really tough to work with. No. Craig-- I enjoyed working with Craig. Craig and I had an off the record sort of a comic relation-hip with each -theread I -- Grang wrote my will. I mean, you know, ite was that kind of relationship.

lear.

A. Craig and I did not spend much time engaging spend in verbal jostling

. Is that pretty much insofar as-- and I'm not leterming -- I'm not trying to minimize your unhappiness, Tennifer, Ms. Morean, with your situation there. I just want to be suce that I inderstand it. And is that pretty \* \*\*\* \*\*

A. As far as what?

. It far as the complaints that you had about attents for them, any its left, and the people?

A. I esjoyed working with the people there. Thos, one thing that thes did very well was be, and for the most part he employed well, he didn't pey well but he employed -- suployed quality people to work for him.

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A. One of the things I was always astonaded at was the quality of the people that he had working for him, that would settle to work for him for the salaries

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that he paid them. His staff was to a man grossly underpaid with the exception of Charles Judd. And so my unhappiness was for the most part completely wrapped up with Larry. I did, however, and I have to be perfectly housest, I would go home with a lot of heartburn about the way that Espirocare did business as an entity. did not, I do not like the way Envirocare does business That's personal.

2. What about the way they did business did you not like?

It is my teeling Khos Semmani plays dirty poel.

If you are soing to say that I have to ask 700--

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Q. What facts that you know of?

Okey. There are- There is a continual battle going on with Khos Semmani and the owner of BCDC Environmental, Laidler Environmental, there were continued leavants about money that was royalty money, for lack of a better word that thos was supposed to have peid for on a contract with Laidlew and I do not feel that thos was bonnrable and I'm using that in a very generic sort of word here bet I doe't think that he was honorable. The conversations that I heard, the limited

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extraordinarily little contact with Khos directly, but he was very very much taken with the fight, the battle the competition. For him it wasn't so much a matter of making money, which he did a lot of, but it was the battle. And now, what I am getting ready to tell you now is secondhand information. Most of what Khos said I heard through Larry and Larry, you know, let us know, let the entire staff know. Khos would do whatever is necessary to win.

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A. Period

#hat conversations did you have with anybody else, and you described those conversations at the terinors of your testimon, today, and I think I inderstand what you're talking about. Anybody else that dame you that kind of information within the company?

A There was a lot of conjecture at Envirocare.

Management, most of the s. Lor level managers that

worked for Khos, they like their jobs and they liked

their company, but there was- and I don't- I don't

want to get into, you know, the melodramatics have, but
as I say that there was a reign of terror there. They,

the employees, especially the senior management, I know
a lot of the guys working for him would like to go

someplace else but had spant so long working in trear particular -- in this particular nitch that they were afraid that they wouldn't be able to find a job someplace else.

Tanagement that to 2 you that and if to one, i understand you can still have that understanding about it. Naturally when you say that to be, if i said something like that to you, you would say the

A. Who?

. Who told you that?

A. Let me think if they're going to get in trouble if I tell you this.

Q. Well, we've got enough problems \*.onout worrying about going paper show-

A. And getting-- Greg Copeland, for example, was, he was a tremmndously underpaid employee, considering what his responsibilities were in the Operations Department. Some of the design engineers were tremmndously unemployed-- and each one of these--

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A. Well, underpaid. I'm solry. And the problem was not so much a matter of being underpaid as being continually tarrorised and the terror may have been self induced, they may have said, "Oh, you know, Thos is

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going to-- Khos is going to yell at me. Khos is going to do this. Khos is going to do that." But it's like every time you turn around you were afraid of Khos and--

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A. Afraid of him? But like they were because my skills in accounting were more transportable than their twere. I hadn't spent the last to year? of my career working in--

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A. --waste remediation. So if he fired me tomorrow, you know, who wants to be fired? Who wants to go through that, but if they fired me. I would be employed day after togorrow.

Anat I'm really petting at, no you retronally in your dealings with Knos nin he leave you with a feat of him or nin you feel like you were terrorises on him

A. Personally or professionally? Personally.

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A. Professionally, to a certain degree. To a certain degree I would have to-- I would come downstairs and I would find that my advenaline is up or my pulse is pounding or them sometimes you wonder, well, I don't know. I've always had good working relationship

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with my bosses, so I quess the last time I was subjected to this was when I was a cub weather forecaster in the military and the first time I ever got slammed by a general that I passed in walking that I failed to salute and, yes, I was tarrified of him. I didn't think he was going to hit me.

found generals didn't care, it was some--

A. Little second lieutenant.

1. Some second lieutenants rust of to pletes.

A. Yeah, they care, but ---

WR. MITCHELL: Boy, you have const.

THE MITNESS: But to that extent, est i was lessed as the first is was terrified of non-tenades at the first, at first i was to ake of him. The more i was a const. Law not impressed by people that have first and a const. I am not impressed by people that have first and a const. I am not impressed by people that have first and a const. The first and a co

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A.C. 104, 182, 18 4131 12 534 121 32 4,51 to end , were interinted what its hard sureas, this me : remember there was an incident out at the . site out at Clive once. In my capacity as controller we didn't have a personnel manage per se Lisa was doing a .. lot of that but Lisa didn't have a hand on Otal employment law and we were constantly -- We were constantly doing things in violation of what Otah employment law. And so I had a lot of background in personnel management and eventually what would happen, like I stuck my fingers in those pies because in a lot of areas personnel ranagement and accounting over-they cross over. And one day there was a supervisor out at the site who called me up and said that he was being required to work overtime and he couldn't work the overtime, he could not work the overtime, and he had family obligations and he had to get home, there wasn't anybody to watch the kids and he had been threatened, he said by Khos that if he didn't work the overtime he was going to lose his job. And it was that kind of thing.

And then Thos. you know. I would go to Larry with this because I didn't want to go directly to Khos about this and I went to Larry I said, "You know, so and so has got this problem. What do we do about it?" And besically Larry's philosophy through Khos was, or Khos's philosophy through Larry, was that, "Bey, you know, if he doesn't like it, you know, screw him, he can go get another job sommplace else. We can go right across the field and he can go work for Laidlaw." Well, he couldn't do that. I mean they just couldn't do that And the --

- 2. Well, this guy that balled you, is there in and to that story?
  - A. Yeah Se eventually wound up quitting.
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  - A. He had to guit
  - Because he couldn't so the orientine
  - A. Because he couldn't do the overtime
- And that was just a little thing and there were lots of little things and we had employees that would quit and come back and quit and come back, and-but the feeling up at the office was one of general demoralization. Everybody walked around checking their 6 all the time, that's a military expression. They're

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At Envirocare. The managers were always under a feeling of general demoralization.

i. Chan. Let's just get a few rimes so I'm sure that I have with orgine talking about. And to not worse split there's spirit to be any problem with them, they re non un quade, who are you have not appoint as managers that you area the impression were semaralized?

A. It would be easier for me to tell you which managers were not. I need an employee list because right now I have--

- . If the hanagers there?
- Yeah, because basically I mean-
- A. No, not Judd. Ee--
- i. 1:117, was 'e lemoralised?
- A. In my feeling?
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- A. A lot.
- Coap. four feeling was that Draig Thorley . ... 347074...2401
  - A. In my feeling Craig was demoralised quite a bit 1. July.

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- A. Not -- Craig wasn't in a continual state of demoralization but, yeah.
- Q. Okay. That's very neipful. Sive me sine names down there, Thorley. Copeland?
- A. Greg was extremely demoralized. And the--MR. MITCHELL: Do you want to take a short oreak, Roy?

MR. MINTON: Bure.

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- Mr. Minton : was going over tames with you before we took a break there and I just mentioned Thorley. You said Greg Copeland. Let me ask you about Al Rafati, do you know him? A. Oh-bub.
- Q. Tell me what you think about him. Was he semoralized?
- A. fell me- fell you what I think about Al Rafati? Al Rafati --
- 2. I mean in the subject that we're are talking scout here. You said that you felte-
- A. No. Al Rafati was not demoralized. No was out of the loop.

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hired after I was there and I had no-- was not there for very long when I left.

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- A. No. you haven't montloned Vern Andrews
- A I didn't have very the Verm is -- was an older guy, a very placed inon a mal, and I had very little interaction with -- What? What did I do wrong?
  - . No. you sign't go anything.
    - Wi Mitchill. This is a Martha Roy deal.
- limit tay any attention to it.
  - THE WITHERE IT, DAW,
- i. Mr. Minten You said an elder quy. Since te could propagly be by son.
- A. Relative to Greg Copeland, Vern has been around the block once or twice. Now, Vern and I had very, very little interaction. Most of the interactions that I had were with— And, see, these are the names I am missing right now were. I have a terrible memory for names.
- A Craig, who was the tall sweetheart nerdy guy that had the really Chird laugh that taught me all about the atom structure when I first got there, had the office right next to Greg's.

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- A Not terrorised but very demoralised
- Dray. If we gone over what I have got and we have got Vance and Coreland.
  - A. Yeah
  - Q. That's demoralized.
  - A. Yeah, you know --
- press you to tive me more names on who it is and want to get an understanding the best that i can be not overselved with you.
  - A. Even '1' secretary was, Debbie Pearsall
  - 1. Are you talking about whose secretar.
- A. Khos's secretary, that's his personal secretary
  - . Aei., . .... ... .... ..... si.
  - A. Oh, man.
- in the just officing you. The has been with he if years so I haven't demonstrated her to the continuous hayde she's in the deal you're talking about she's you too much invested. How about your compensation?

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- an encapant, attracture capacle, 35-1 1 year old woman.
  - A. Thank you, a needed that.
- 14. At, which is stay there? You they put the say that there will be a surfaced abusing you in a way that there will be a surfaced as a surfac
- A. Because of promises that Larry had made mm. What had happened was, and this was another sense of general demoralisation for the company. I was hired in December like a couple of weaks before Christmas. I had been there about a week or so and Khos holds -- he rents a room downstairs here is whatever the same of this used to be before it was the Double free and has a company-wide meeting and he is talking about all kinds of new management techniques that's going to increase productivity and it's going to -- I mean all kinds of new compensation packages for not just the managers and the non-exempts but the direct employees as well. "Oh. you're going to get bonuses of ten -- We're not talking small bonuses here, People, we're talking big bonuses. If you make your -- If you make those quotas, bowever, they were stipulated. "Your compensation will be ten. maybe 25 percent of what your salary was." And

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everybody leaves the smeting that day and they re all excited and they're going to be given a portion of their bonus at the end of the year and then another portion of their bonus in mid-year, which would have been April or May, or whatever their fiscal year was over. And so everybody is all excited, they are all puffed up. "We're going to go kick butt," and we all it goals so I took my staff back and laid out all the goals before them because I had brought in, and, "Okay You're part of management so you're going to lay out the goals." And we laid out the goals and everybody is king at their substandard salary packages and going. "If I can augment with a 10 or 25 per cent bonus is is a liveable wage." And I was in this, too

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- A. Thirty-five.
- [. And you were there how ......
- A. Altogether I was there nine or ten mouths
- And what were you havens when it left?
- A. Forty.
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A. Tesh, which is approximately fifteen to twenty thousand dollars less than Larry said I would be making but he said the reason--

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A. Fifty-eight.

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A. Well, that company has -- they have retired and they re long since gone away, but that was a construction company called Mountain American Tile but-

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A. A very short period of time. I was only there six months and then the owner retired.

2. And then you went to work where you are now?

A. Where I am.

And what are you being paid now, I have hi be

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A. Right now I'm being-- I'm paid forty-eight.

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A. But now I'm working 38 hours a week for 48 grand, too, so I mean it's like a cush job. So, anyway, so I was not working 38 hours a week for Envirocare. So the first time the bonus comes around to be paid and my staff is paid an average of two percent and I'm going-

I went in and said. "Larry, I can't do this. I can't go face my staff and say. Tou were promised 10 to 25 percent, you're being paid 2 percent." And he goes. "Jenn." I don't know what to tell you to do. They don't think the Accounting Department is important at Envirocare, it doesn't contribute to the bottom line. He said, It's a negative." And he said, "And that's the way they see it. So the people that would get paid good bonuses will be Al Rafati and Sue Rice, they get good bonuses." Sue Rice was some sales person there And the Sales Department got good bonuses and everybody else got screwed. The hourly went through the roof, they just went through the roof.

By rourly, you mean people baid by the rout?

A. Yes, the folks out at Clive.

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A. And they hit the ceiling, they just— they were livid. My department was livid and the day that the bonnses were paid, I took my department out for lunch and all I could say is, "I'm sorry. I'm sorry. I mean I am just sorry." I said, "I'm in the same boat that you're in and I don't know why he promised you one thing and delivered another, because we've not only made—we've made our entire annual goal, what he said were our stipulators, our annual goal, we had made that two

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months into the package. So we had far surpassed our expectations and this was the reward we get and all I can say is. I'm sorry. So I mean that was an extremely demoralizing thing. And what was worse for the Accounting Department is every month after I closed the books I would sit down with the entire arming staff and I go, "You know, Guys, you bust your butts during close this month and we closed." Normally they were closing the books two to three months after the fact and my goal for my department was to close the books seven working days after the end of each month, which we were making just like that and those guys are in there just busting their butt, and we're getting everything done, and I would go over the financial statements with these guys, because they were contributing to the manufacturing of the accounting statements, they knew how much money we were making. They know that our profit margias were extraordinary. And then they're sitting there trying to swallow a two parcent bonus. So it was not a good situation.

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A. With Larry

1. Witt Latty?

A. And thus the general sense that—the business itself. I had friends that work—or Laidlaw and I just—

Q. When you left there you wrote a letter and what you said in that letter to--

A. To Larry?

2. % Tharles Jugd?

A. Oh, to Charles. I don't remember.

2. You're read it, have you not?

A. Let me reed it again.

Q. Why don't you read it and then let me see it

a minute.

A. Uh-hab. That's absolutely true.

O. What's in there was true?

A. Every word.

2. Okay.

A. I chose my words extremely carefully.

A. "It has been a pleasure working--"

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the talented and dedicated staff."

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EXHIBIT #

Merch 27, 1991

NOTE FOR: Cariton Kammerer

PROM: Mike Toker

BUBJECT: POTENTIAL ALLEGATION CONCERNING ENVIROCARE

i spoke by telephone yesterday to a who called me to convey some concerns he had about shvirdeare.

Said that "I am very concerned about their (Environment) burying source material...

had any recourse.

He asked Mherhan

I responded by saying that I did not know what his legal rights or options were regarding this matter, but that I believed that what he had told me sounded like it might be (in NRC parlance) an "allegation", which NRC had procedures for handling. I suggested that he talk to Cariton Kammerer, who as Director, State Programs, would be in a better position to know what actions the NRC could or should take vis a vis (a) the handling of the potential allegation and (b) responsibilities and interactions with the State of Uten. Inesmuch os (1) the Envirocare facility is in the State of Utah and (2) Utah is an "Agreement State," I presume that Utah would " ve the ultimete responsibility for dealing with the allegation. On the other hand, it is my understanding that there is some current controversy over the State's handling of the Enviscers application. In any case, I felt that you would be the best source of information concerning what future actions to take, including entering any relevant information into the NRC allegation system.

that he speak to you, and our brief conversation ended on the

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Mike Teker

Mr. Larry Anderson, Director Bureau of Radiation Control State Department of Health 288 Horth 1460 West Pust Office Box 16690 Salt Lake City, UT 84116-0690

Dear Mr. Anderson:

This is to confirm Joel Lubenau's telephone call to your office on April 9, 1991. On March 26, 1991 NRC staff received a potential allegation concerning the operations at the Envirocare, Inc. site (enclosed). We are forwarding it to you for follow-up, and we request being informed of the results of your inquiries.

Sincerely.

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Carlton Kammerer, Director State Programs Office of Governmental and Public Affairs

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May 10, 1991

Carlton Kammerer, Director State Programs U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20888

Dear Mr. Kammerer:

On April 9, 1991, I received a phone call from Joel Lubenau regarding an allegation against Envirocare of Utah by a former employee. Mr. Lubenau correctly forwarded the allegation to the Utah Bureau of Radiation Control since Envirocare was, at the time, authorize to dispose of NORM.

On April 9, 1991, I assigned Dane Finerfrock to investigate the allegation. On that day, he contacted the alleger. A copy of this telephone record conversation is enclosed.

Additionally, on May 6, 1991, Mr. Finerfrock again contacted the alleger to close out the investigation. A copy of that telephone conversation record is also enclosed.

The Utah Bureau of Radiation Control considers this matter closed. We would appreciate this information be communicated to appropriate staff in State Programs and the Low-Level Waste Programs.

Sincerely

Larry F. Anderson, Director Bureau at Badiation Control

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I called to inform him that I needed to close the inquiry into his

allegations against Envirocare. Stated he wanted to "drop the matter" and "forget about it! He further stated "that he didn't have enough to go on." I again offered our services or the NRC's but there was no interest. I told him that this matter was closed.

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20682

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Robert L. O'Connell

IMISS Allegation Coordinator Division of Industrial and Medical Nuclear Safrty, NMSS

FROM:

Richard L. Bangart, Director

Division of Low-Level Waste Management

and Decommissioning, MMSS

SUBJECT:

STATUS OF ALLEGATION REGARDING ENVIROCARE FACILITY IN

AGREEMENT STATE OF UTAH BURYING SOURCE MATERIAL

-- ALLEGATION NUMBER - NMSS-91-A-0001

My staff has made every effort to track the above cited allegation since the initial telephone call by an individual on March 27, 1991, who expressed concern about the disposal of source material at the Envirocare facility at Clive, Utah. As discussed below, I do not believe that the Division of Low-Level Waste Management and Decommissioning (LLWD), however, should make a determination as to whether the allegation is closed.

The Envirocare facility is licensed by the State of Utah pursuant to Sec. 274b. of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended. The cognizant Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) organization for Agreement State Sec. 274b. issues is State Programs (SP) within the Office of Governmental and Public Affairs.

On March 26, 1991, Dr. Tokar. Section Leader within LLWD, received a telephone call in which the individual expressed concern about Envirocare burying source material. Dr. Tokar whote a note, dated March 27, 1991, to Mr. Carlton Kammerer, Director, SP, concerning this potential allegation. Dr. Tokar stated in his note that he believed Mr. Kammerer would be the best source of information concerning what future actions are to be taken, including entering any relevant information into the HRC allegation system.

On April 5, 1991, I sent a note to Mr. John Surmeier, Chief, Uranium Recovery Branch, LLWD, requesting that he track the Envirocare allegation by working with SP. This he did. On June 5, 1991, Mr. Surmeier provided me with a memorandum that transmitted correspondence from the State of Utah to SP that indicated the Utah Bureau of Radiation Control considered the matter closed after two telephone conversations with the individual.

Subsequent to the June 5, 1991, memorandum to me, Mr. Surmaier met with you to ascertain whether SP had entered the individual's concern into the KRC allegation system. He also provided you with the June 5, 1991, memorandum. Based on your review, the allegation concerning the Envirocare facility in the Agreement State of Utah was entered into the MRC allegation system.

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION PASHINGTON, D. C. 2: 586

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Vandy L. Miller, Assistant Director

for Agreement State Programs, SP

FROM:

Robert L. O'Connell

Allegation Coordinator, NMSS

SUBJECT:

ALLEGATION RE: ENVIROCARE

You recently informed us of the status of an allegation forwarded to your office by NMSS concerning Envirocare, a licensee of the State of Utah. You referred the allegation to the state and received a report from the state indicating that after two unsuccessful attempts to obtain further information from the alleger, the state had closed the matter. As discussed in the enclosed memorandum dated July 9, 1991, from Dick Bangart, NMSS is not in possession of sufficient facts at this point to determine whether all concerns have been dealt with and the matter closed from NRC's standpoint. Therefore, pursuant to my conversation today with Lloyd Bolling of your staff, NMSS is referring the allegation to SP for further coordination with the state and for determination of whether any additional action is needed or whether the allegation should be closed.

Robert L. O'Connell

Allegation Coordinator, NMSS

Enclosure: As stated

**ENCLOSURE 2**