REPORT OF INTERVIEW WITH LARRY W. GATELY

On March 11, 1986, at approximately 12:15 p.m., NRC investigators R. K. Herr and J. A. Kindt interviewed GATELY regarding the overfilling of cylinders with uranium hexaflouride (UF6) at the Sequoyah Fuels Facility (SFF), Gore, Oklahoma. GATELY was employed as a chemical operator at SFF from December 1972 until he quit on January 2, 1977. During this period, he could only recall filling 10-ton cylinders. He said the procedure was to overfill a cylinder by 100 to 200 pounds at the drain station, then move it to the steam chest for heating and, finally, move it to the scale room where a sample was taken. He could not recall whether at this last stage he ever evacuated any overfill. He also stated that he recalled receiving formal classroom instruction for this position. This formal training consisted of from one to three hours a day for a six-week period.

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