

April 6, 1998

Docket No. 030-34110

License No. 37-30293-01

Michael Sullivan
Plant Manager
Teledyne Allvac
P. O. Box 151
Latrobe, PA 15650

SUBJECT: INSPECTION NO. 030-34110/98-001 AND NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

On March 9, 1998, C. Thor Oberg of this office conducted a safety inspection at Route 981 North, Latrobe, PA of activities authorized by the above listed NRC license. The inspection was an examination of your licensed activities as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Commission's regulations and the license conditions. The inspection consisted of observations by the inspector, interviews with personnel, and a selected examination of representative records. Additional information provided in the telephone conversations on March 12 and 16, 1998, between Joseph Dorko of your organization and Thor Oberg of this office, were also examined as part of the inspection. The findings of the inspection were discussed with Joseph A. Dorko of your organization at the conclusion of the inspection.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that your activities were not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements. A Notice of Violation is enclosed and categorizes each violation by severity level in accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," (Enforcement Policy), NUREG 1600. You are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. In your response, you should document the specific actions taken and any additional actions you plan to prevent recurrence. Your response may reference or include previous docketed correspondence, if the correspondence adequately addresses the required response. After reviewing your response to this Notice, including your proposed corrective actions and the results of future inspections, the NRC will determine whether further NRC enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with NRC regulatory requirements.

Be advised that the KEVEX Model 0402, X-ray fluorescence analyzer must remain in the specified secure storage location and not put into use until such time that License No. 37-30293-01 has been amended to authorize the possession of sealed sources containing 30 millicuries of cadmium-109 (Cd-109), and until an approved user has been authorized by the license to replace the named user who is no longer available.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and your reply will be placed in the Public Document Room (PDR). To the extent possible, your response should not include any personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information so that it can be placed in the PDR without redaction.

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Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original signed by John D. Kinneman

John D. Kinneman, Chief
Nuclear Materials Safety Branch 2
Division of Nuclear Materials Safety

Enclosure:
Notice of Violation

cc:
Joseph A. Dorko, Radiation Safety Officer
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

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