December 09, 1996

TO: WSI Security
Building 121
Ext.

FROM: M. P. Giacomini / T. J. Tegeler
Joint Company/Union Safety Committee
Building T452B / Building T690G
Ext. 7620 / Ext. 5800

SUBJECT: VERIFICATION OF IMPLEMENTATION - SAFETY CONCERN NUMBER 94-158
INOPERABLE SAAM TRITIUM ALARMS

The Joint Company/Union Safety Committee (JCUSC) has verified implementation of the subject safety concern and has closed the concern. Attached is the verification form.

Thank you for participating in the safety concern process.

Attachment:
As Stated

cc:
A. J. Asti
J. R. Cable
D. L. Chesshir, WSI
P. W. Dooley
M. Fitzpatrick
C. G. Haynes, WSI
M. Jamsay
D. D. Melton
J. Peters
PATS
JOINT COMPANY-UNION
SAFETY COMMITTEE

December 12, 1994

To: WSI Security
Building 121
Ext. 118

Subject: RESOLUTION OF SAFETY CONCERN: 94-158
INOPERABLE SAAM TRITIUM ALARMS

The Joint Company/Union Safety Committee (JCUSC) has investigated the subject
safety concern with the following results:

The concern addressed employees monitoring requirements for both the Selective
Alpha Air Monitor (SAAM) and Tritium Alarms for Building 991. After a thorough
discussion, it was determined that some confusion did exist.

A copy of the actions taken to solve this concern are attached.

With the actions identified above, the JCUSC considers this safety concern
satisfactorily resolved.

Changes to this agreement cannot be made without concurrence by the JCUSC. If
you have additional problems with this concern, the resolution, or the
implementation of the corrective actions, please contact the JCUSC. Thank you
for participating in the safety concern process.

D. D. Melton
Company Safety Representative

P. W. Dooley
Union Safety Representative

Concurrence:

CC:
A. J. Asti
J. R. Cable
M. Fitzpatrick
M. Jamsay
J. Peters

T. J. Tegeler
E. I. Tietenberg
PATS
The purpose of this letter is to address the concern that both the Selective Alpha Air Monitor (SAAM) and Tritium Alarm systems are functioning improperly and the concern over the current personnel monitoring requirement that are established in 991 Building.

The reduction in the number of SAAM alarms may have been perceived to indicate the units are not functioning. Building 991 is no longer experiencing multiple SAAM alarms stemming from the elevated radon levels that have been known to exist there. This change is a result of the reconfiguration of the SAAM unit. This reconfiguration has in fact increased the units sensitivity to be able to detect Plutonium alpha. These units are still functioning properly and are verified by the established surveillance procedures.

The Tritium Alarm systems referenced are currently not required in Building 991. These were put in place some time ago when the operations there included handling of a certain form of material that did require that type of monitoring. This type of operation, at this time, is not taking place.

Finally, the current requirement for personnel monitoring for exiting the 998 tunnel and the room 150 vault area is self monitoring with a combo. This is due to the fact that these areas are primarily controlled for purposes of external radiation hazards associated with stored material in drums. Contamination is not expected in these areas. The self monitoring requirement is just an added precaution.
DATE: September 14, 1994
TO: Distribution
SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR PARTICIPATION IN SAFETY CONCERN PROCESS: 94-158
          INOPERABLE SAAM TRITIUM ALARMS

[Redacted] has filed a safety concern with the JCUSC. The responsibility for resolving safety concerns lies with line management.

The JCUSC requests participation from you or your designated representative in resolving this safety concern. The meeting to determine a course of action for this concern has been set for the following:

Date: October 3, 1994
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Location: T690G, Conference Room

Please contact P. W. Dooley or D. D. Melton to confirm your attendance at this meeting.

The JCUSC appreciates your participation in the safety concern process.

Distribution:
A. J. Asti
D. J. Davidson
M. Fitzpatrick
C. G. Haynes
S. Staley

cc:
T. J. Tegeler
E. I. Tietenberg
JOINT COMPANY/UNION SAFETY COMMITTEE CONCERN FORM
THIS FORM IS TO BE USED BY ALL EMPLOYEES ON PLANT SITE
Mail to: JCUSC, T-690G
(Please mail Blue Copy to JCUSC when the Concern is initiated)

Case No. 94.158

EMPLOYEE NAME [Redacted]

DEPARTMENT WSI SECURITY BLDG. 2.1

SUPERVISOR (Print) M. JAMSAY PHONE [Redacted] SHIF.T AD

MANAGER REPORTING TO DIRECTOR (Print): PETTIS SUPV. EXT. 8309 MANAGER EXT. 7332

I have previously discussed this Concern with Supervision: Yes No

Concern (briefly) BOTH SAAM AND TRITIUM ALARM SYSTEMS IN 991/996 TUNNEL ARE FUNCTIONING IN PROPERLY AND SOME TIMES NOT AT ALL. PERSONNEL ARE SELF MONITORING INSTEAD OF CALLING ROT.

Recommendation (Optional) REPLACE/REPAIR TRITIUM AND SAAM IN 991/996 TUNNEL ASSIGN ROT TO 991/996 TUNNEL

Date 07/12/94

Supervision Response (within 5 working days) Issues such as this which require new or additional training, equipment and or manpower at a cost to Edta. must be resolved by Edta. WSI is not currently in a position to be able to dictate to Edta how to handle issues when additional contract funding is needed. The WSI ESH MANAGER will forward a copy of this concern to Edta Health & Safety

Supervision Signature L.T. Bill C. Williams Date 11/2/94

Manager Reporting to Director ____________________________ Date ____________________________

NOTE: TIMELINESS IN COMPLETING THIS FORM IS OF THE UTMOST IMPORTANCE.

I am satisfied with the results. X I am not satisfied.

Brief reason if not satisfied: Above response does not negate the concern.

Employee Signature [Redacted] Date 08/13/94

JCUSC received Safety Concern on: 8.25.94

To be completed by the JCUSC Co-Chairperson(s)

Assigned to: Union: Dooly Date 8.25.94

Company:NotFoundException Date 8.29.94

Distribution: Safety Committee (White) (Completed Form)
Union Steward (Yellow)
Employee (Green)
Safety Committee (Blue) (When Concern Initiated)

RF-45500 (Rev. 10/90) Destroy Previous Issues
DATE: October 3, 1994

TO: Distribution


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The JCUSC requests participation from you or your designated representative in resolving this safety concern. The meeting to determine a course of action for this concern has been set for the following:

Date: October 13, 1994
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Location: T690G, Conference Room

Please contact D. D. Melton or P. W. Dooley to confirm your attendance at this meeting.

The JCUSC appreciates your participation in the safety concern process.

Distribution:
A. J. Asti
D. J. Davidson
M. Fitzpatrick
C. G. Haynes
D. W. Newton
S. Staley

cc:
T. J. Tegeler
E. I. Tietenberg
August 30, 1994

TO: [Redacted]
WSI Security
Building 121
Ext. [Redacted]

SUBJECT: ASSIGNMENT OF SAFETY CONCERN: 94-158
INOPERABLE SAAM TRITIUM ALARMS

The Joint Company/Union Safety Committee (JCUSC) has received your safety concern and assigned the following investigators. They will contact you to discuss this concern.

Company Representative: D. D. Melton Phone: 5130

Union Representative: P. W. Dooley Phone: 5525

CC:
J. R. Cable
P. W. Dooley
W. D. Ewan
C. G. Haynes, WSI
M. Jamsay
D. D. Melton
J. Peters
T. T. Powell
T. T. Powell, UGSQA#1
PATS
DATE: September 14, 1994

TO: Distribution


SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR PARTICIPATION IN SAFETY CONCERN PROCESS: 94-158
          INOPERABLE SAAM TRITIUM ALARMS

W. S. Armijo has filed a safety concern with the JCUSC. The responsibility for
resolving safety concerns lies with line management.

The JCUSC requests participation from you or your designated representative in
resolving this safety concern. The meeting to determine a course of action for
this concern has been set for the following:

Date: October 3, 1994
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Location: T690G, Conference Room

Please contact P. W. Dooley or D. D. Melton to confirm your attendance at this
meeting.

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