

## **Department of Energy**

Washington, DC 20585

December 10, 2010

MEMORANDUM FOR JOHN LEPPERT TEAM LEADER OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT MANAGER FOR NATIONAL SECURITY NEVADA SITE OFFICE

FROM:

FRANK MARCINOWSKI HEADQUARTERS CERTIFYING OFFICAL DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR TECHNICAL AND REGULATORY SUPPORT

SUBJECT:

Quality Assurance Program Approval for Type B and Fissile Radioactive Material Packages for National Security Technologies, LLC

Enclosed is the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Quality Assurance (QA) Program Approval for Type B and Fissile Radioactive Material Packages, (Approval Number 0008, Revision 0) for National Security Technologies, LLC (NSTec), in response to your request dated September 21, 2010. This approval is based on the National Nuclear Security Administration approval of the QA Implementation Plan for the Fissionable Material Handler Program, PLN-1043, Revision 0, dated August 8, 2009.

This DOE QA Approval satisfies the requirements of DOE Order 460.1C and complies with the provisions in 49 CFR Part 173(d) for DOE to maintain packaging standards equivalent to those specified in 10 CRF Part 71. The DOE QA Approval will remain in effect for five years, as indicated in Block No. 3. If NSTec needs to renew, amend or terminate its DOE QA Program Approval, please have them request this action in writing by referencing the DOE QA Approval Docket No. 2011-001.

This memorandum also serves as a reminder that DOE O 460.1C requires each entity that offers for transportation or transports radioactive material for DOE in a Type B or fissile material packaging certified by the Headquarters Certifying Official (HCO) or the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to be registered in writing with the HCO.

If you have any questions, please call Dr. James M. Shuler of my staff at (301) 903-5513.

Attachment





## U. S. Department of Energy QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM APPROVAL

1. APPROVAL NUMBER	
0008	

FOR TYPE B and FISSILE RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL PACKAGES

Pursuant to DOE Order 460.1C, *Packaging and Transportation Safety*, subparagraph 4.a.(3), *Quality Assurance (QA)* directs that each entity that participates in the design, fabrication, procurement, use, or maintenance of a hazardous materials packaging must have a QA Program approved and audited by the Headquarters Certifying Official that satisfies the requirements of 10 CFR Part 71, Subpart H, QA, for certified Type B and fissile radioactive materials packagings. The Contractors Requirements Document in paragraph 6 of the Order imposes the same requirement on DOE contractors. Based on the reliance on statements and representations heretofore made in Item 5 by the organization named in Item 2, the Quality Assurance Program Description identified in Item 5 is hereby approved. This approval is issued to satisfy the requirements of the Order, 49 CFR 173.7(d), and 10 CFR 71.101. This approval is subject to all applicable rules, regulations, and orders of the U.S Department of Energy now or hereafter in effect and to any conditions specified below.

2. ORGANIZATION NAME		,	3. EXPIRATION DATE
National Security Technologies, LLC			12/31/2015
STREET ADDRESS			
P.O. Box 98521	4. DOCKET NUMBER		
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	2011-001
Las Vegas	NV	89193-8521	

5. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM APPLICATION DATE(S)

## October 1, 2010

6. CONDITIONS

- 1. Activities conducted regarding Type B and fissile material transportation packagings are to be executed under applicable criteria of 10 CFR Part 71, Subpart H. Authorized activities include: design, procurement, fabrication, assembly, testing, modification, maintenance, repair, and use of transportation packagings.
- 2. Records shall be maintained in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR Part 71. Specifically:
  - a. Records of each shipment of licensed material shall be maintained for 3 years after that shipment [10 CFR 71.91(a)].
  - b. Records providing evidence of packaging quality shall be maintained for 3 years after the life of the packaging [10 CFR 71.91(d)].
  - c. Records describing activities affecting packaging quality shall be maintained for 3 years after this Quality Assurance Program Approval is terminated [10 CFR 71.135].
- 3. Planned and periodic audits of all aspects of the Quality Assurance Program shall be conducted in accordance with written procedures or checklists, by appropriately trained personnel not having direct responsibility in the areas being audited, in accordance with 10 CFR 71.137.

FOR THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY SIGNATURE DATE OF ISSUANCE Frank Marcinowski DOE Headquarters Certifying Official