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NRC ISSUES \$3,500 FINE AND CONFIRMATORY ORDER TO DBI, INC.

DBI, Inc. of Casper, Wyo., has agreed to make changes to its training program and pay a \$3,500 fine as part of an agreement with the NRC. The company uses radiography cameras at its jobsite in Casper and at temporary jobsites to find structural defects in welds.

Between July 1, 2011, and July 17, 2012, the NRC conducted an inspection of the company's facility and identified four apparent violations of NRC regulations. These include failure to conduct a survey when approaching a radiography camera; having at least one qualified individual present during radiography operations; supervising an assistant radiographer and providing complete and accurate information to the NRC. Three of these apparent violations involve willful misconduct by DBI.

The apparent violations were documented in an NRC inspection report issued on Aug. 8. The company chose to resolve the matter using the agency's alternative dispute resolution process in which a neutral mediator assists parties in reaching an agreement.

As a result, the company has agreed to pay a \$3,500 civil penalty, establish a comprehensive training program using an outside consultant designed to deter future willful violations of NRC regulations, conduct unannounced field audits, and implement a testing program to verify the effectiveness of corrective actions to its training programs for current and new employees.

Copies of the Order will be posted to the NRC's web site.

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