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I operate a very small oil field cased hole logging business in a very remote area. I use 2 each 3ci (Cat. 3) Am241be sources in my business, and have no (0) Cat.1 or Cat.2 sources, so this would involve creating a system to monitor, and track sources above the systems that I have in place to secure the Cat. 3 sources. The cost could be higher than \$200,000 for this.

I am very concerned about radioactive material being used for illicit purposes, and take care to assure that my sources are secured and will not be taken by someone with bad intentions. The security, tracking and monitoring of these sources under Cat.2 level would require more personnel than I employ in normal operations, and would be a burden that will not increase public safety in any way. A very large cost with no benefit.

There has been no case where an Oil Field Service Company has had a source lost or sold one in a way that it could be used for illicit purposes, and we as an industry, and individual operators of businesses have procedures to prevent this from happening.

The case that this is based on was a failure of a Regulatory Agency, not the Well Logging Industry. The additional regulatory burden on these agencies will overtax their overworked, understaffed operations that regulate and oversee enforcement of the industry. The additional burden will hinder their ability to properly oversee our industry.