IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

No. 94-40901

Summary Calendar

UNITED STATES,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

versus

WESLEY EUGENE RAY,

Defendant-Appellant.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas (6:93-CR-41(1))

(April 4, 1995)

Before GARWOOD, HIGGINBOTHAM, and DAVIS, Circuit Judges.
PER CURIAM:*

The lead poisoning and health problems suffered by Ray's employees, including one near-fatal case, supported the nine-level upward adjustment under U.S.S.G. § 2Q1.2(b)(2). Ray also merited the four-level increase under U.S.S.G. § 2Q1.2(b)(4) for lacking a permit. This is true even if the offender must know that he lacks

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a permit, because Ray continued to operate even after he was told in March 1988 that he lacked interim operating status. AFFIRMED.