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To: Duncan White; Sheri Minnick
Date: 1/3/06 5:26PM
Subject: Letter from NJDEP

Duncan/Sheri,

We received a letter dated 12/23/2005 from DEP regarding an inspection they performed of Varinder Singh, MD in Metuchen, NJ. The letter informs the licensee that there were no violations associated with their State-regulated program but there was one apparent violation associated with their NRC-regulated program. Specifically, the licensee neglected to perform surveys for removable contamination in all areas of use.

I would appreciate it if you would let NJ know that this requirement went away with the most recent version of Part 35. The only survey requirements for 35.100 and 35.200 users are in 10 CFR 20.1501 and it is not likely that these requirements would apply. I don't expect NJ to do anything to rectify the matter. I will place the letter in the docket file with a copy of this email and we will discuss with the licensee during the next routine inspection.

Thanks, jim



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December 23, 2005

Varinder Singh, M.D.
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Dear Dr. Singh:

SUBJECT: Inspection Report

This letter is in reference to the inspection conducted on December 20, 2005 by Kelly Cardamone of the Department of Environmental Protection's Bureau of Environmental Radiation of activities authorized by New Jersey State Radioactive Materials License NJSL-20836/01 and to the discussion of the inspection findings with Dr. Singh and Karl Jensen at the conclusion of the inspection.

The inspection was an examination of activities conducted under your license as they relate to radiation safety and compliance with NJSA Title 26:2D, the Radiation Protection Act, NJAC 7:28, the Radiation Protection Code and to conditions of your State Radioactive Materials License. The inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel and measurements and observations made by the inspector.

During the inspection, no items of non-compliance regarding the use of New Jersey licensed radioactive materials were disclosed. However, activities involving radioactive material not licensed by the State of New Jersey appeared not to be in full compliance with your facility's Radiation Safety Program.

Specifically, weekly wipe tests were not performed in areas where unsealed sources were routinely used during the following three periods: 4/13/05 through 4/29/05, 8/19/05 through 9/2/05, and 9/2/05 through 9/26/05. During this time material was received and procedures were performed. According to statements in your radioactive material application dated December 28, 2004, wipe tests shall be performed weekly in order to survey for removable contamination, as well as to ensure compliance with the requirements for radioactive contamination control. However, no violation will be issued due to the fact that no State-regulated material was utilized.

No reply to this report is required. A copy of this letter is being forwarded to the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). If you should have any questions concerning this inspection or any related matter, please contact this office at (609) 984-5462.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard Prose for", written in a cursive style.

William Csaszar, License Administrator
Radioactive Materials Section

c: NRC Region I ✓