

November 1, 2007

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SUBJECT: NRC REVIEW OF INSPECTION REPORT AND NOTICE OF VIOLATION  
DATED SEPTEMBER 14, 2007- DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS,  
BOSTON HEALTHCARE SYSTEM, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Dear Mr. McGuire:

This letter refers to the inspection conducted by the Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) National Radiation Safety Committee (NRSC) on June 18-19, 2007, with continued in-office review through September 7, 2007, of the DVA Boston Healthcare System, Boston, Massachusetts. An apparent violation regarding the deliberate falsification of radiation survey records was identified during the inspection.

On September 14, 2007, the NRSC reported the Severity Level III violation to the NRC, in accordance with the NRC Master Materials License, Letter of Understanding, Condition No. 23. In addition, on September 14, 2007, the DVA issued an Inspection Report and Notice of Violation to the VA Boston Healthcare System. The Notice of Violation documented a Severity Level III violation regarding the deliberate falsification of radiation survey records which was identified during the inspection.

The NRC reviewed the DVA's inspection results and Notice of Violation and concluded that the information regarding the reason for the violation, the corrective actions taken and planned to correct the violation and to prevent recurrence was adequately addressed in the inspection report. Therefore, you are not required to respond to this letter. We will review the permittee's response to the Notice of Violation as part of our next routine oversight inspection.

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Sincerely,  
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