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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attn: Document Control Desk
Washington, DC 20555

Reply to a Notice of Violation

Please note the following responses to the US NRC Notice of Violation dated May 16, 2007.

RE Licensees: St. Mary's Hospital License # 29-02114-03

PBI Regional Medical Center License # 29-03047-01

PBI Regional Medical Center was terminated effective 2/28/2007 and taken over by St. Mary's Hospital. St. Mary's Hospital has agreed to be responsible for the PBI Regional Medical Center's NRC related issues as agreed to during the request for combination of the two facility licenses dated 2/28/2007.

With regard to the three identified Violations:

A. Requirement to notify NRC of Chapter 11 bankruptcy.

Unfortunately the PBI Regional Medical Center administration was unaware that such a notification was required.

St. Mary's administration is now fully aware that such a notification would be required and this issue has been discussed at the Radiation Safety Meeting. Upon Learning of the requirement the Chapter 11 filing was submitted by PBI on 2/5/2007.

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B. Requirement to provide written instructions to individuals who were administered unsealed sources.

Unfortunately the physician who handled these cases did not give written instructions to the individuals; he did however give oral instruction to these individuals.

While this physician is no longer employed at this facility he has been made aware of the requirement. Also, please note response to item C.

C. Requirement to maintain a record of the basis for release of patients administered radioactive I-131 in excess of 33 mCi.

Unfortunately we had not made specific calculations for release of such patients. In the past based on a William Beaumont paper, patients under certain conditions (uptake, living conditions etc.) would fall in the category of not exceeding a total effective dose equivalent of > 1 mSv to other individuals, was used as a guideline.

In a response to interrogatories dated March 12, 2007 we indicated that the facility will no longer perform I-131 treatments in excess of 33 mCi, and as such the license was amended.

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Thank you.



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