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Response to inspection report number 15000034/2012003(DNMS); EA-12-142

Dear Ms. Boland:

Pursuant to the notification sent by your office on July 19, 2012, The Christ Hospital (“TCH”) wishes to submit written response regarding its corrective actions. TCH is not contesting the findings of the report, and has already implemented the remedies described in your report. Please accept the following as TCH’s written response:

- (1) **Reason for apparent violation:** In April 2012, our nuclear cardiology supervisor, Lori Becker, contacted the NRC region III branch as part of the process of ceasing service and decommissioning the single mobile site in the state of Indiana where TCH was previously performing mobile nuclear cardiology services. Ms. Becker was alerted to the fact that, while our facility did register with the state of Indiana, we had not filed for reciprocity with the NRC since acquiring the cardiology practice in which this testing previously resided (2009).
- (2) **Corrective steps that have been taken:** In working with your office, Ms. Becker and her manager, Kathryn Ziegler, were advised to retroactively file form 241 for the years 2009 through 2012. TCH paid all 4 years of reciprocity fees totaling \$7400.
- (3) **Corrective steps that will be taken to avoid further violations:** All management responsible for nuclear testing has been made aware of the requirement of filing for reciprocity in NRC jurisdiction states such as Indiana. Currently, TCH is doing no nuclear cardiology work in the state of Indiana.
- (4) **The date when full compliance will be achieved:** Retroactive payment in full was received by the NRC office on June 25, 2012. Our Indiana license and reciprocity are now current through the end of this calendar year, even though we are no longer doing business in the state.

Given that the reciprocity omission originated from a misunderstanding of the requirements, that representatives of TCH fully and immediately cooperated with the NRC office, including full back payment, and that TCH is no providing nuclear cardiology services in the state of Indiana, it is our sincere hope that this matter is considered fully resolved by your office. We appreciate the opportunity to respond in writing to your notice.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Parlato', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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