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Reply to a Notice of Violation

This is in response to the letter from Blake Welling, Chief, Commercial, Industrial, R&D and Academic Branch, Division of Nuclear Materials Safety, Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and Notice of Violation, dated October 21, 2014.

As of October 3, 2104, all Radiation Use Permit Holders and Associate Users at the National Animal Disease Center in Ames, Iowa, had received refresher radiation safety training. In addition, the Radiation Safety Division is currently identifying the status of refresher training for users at all USDA locations and is working to ensure that individuals at other USDA locations take refresher radiation safety training at the frequency required under USDA's NRC license no later than December 31, 2014.

If you have any questions, please contact me on 301-504-2441.

Sincerely,



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Chief

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Regional Administrator, Region I, NRC

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