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**SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 03001325/2015002, MEDSTAR
WASHINGTON HOSPITAL CENTER, WASHINGTON, D.C. SITE AND NOTICE
OF VIOLATION**

Dear Ms. Thompson Smillie:

On July 9, 2015, Penny Lanzisera and Robert L. Gallagher of this office conducted a security inspection at the above address of activities authorized by your NRC license. The inspection continued in-office until September 29, 2015. The inspection was an examination of your licensed activities as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Commission's regulations and the license conditions. The inspection consisted of observations by the inspectors, interviews with personnel, and a selective examination of representative records. Additional information received by the NRC on September 28, 2015, was also examined as part of the inspection. The findings of the inspection were discussed by telephone with Dr. Shashadhar Mohapatra, your Radiation Safety Officer, on October 9, 2015.

Based on the results of this inspection, the NRC determined that one violation of NRC requirements occurred. Because of the security-related nature of this violation, specific details of this violation will not be provided in this letter, but instead are provided in non-public enclosures. The violation was evaluated in accordance with the NRC Enforcement Policy. The current Enforcement Policy is included on the NRC's website at <http://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/regulatory/enforcement/enforce-pol.html>. The violation is cited in the Notice of Violation (Notice), provided as Enclosure 1 to this letter. The violation is cited because the violation was identified by NRC. Enclosure 2 provides a description of the corrective actions taken thus far by MedStar Washington Hospital Center to address the violation.

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You are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. The guidance in NRC Information Notice 96-28, "Suggested Guidance Relating to Development and Implementation of Corrective Action," may be useful in preparing your response. You can find the Information Notice on the NRC website at:

<http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/gen-comm/info-notices/1996/in96028.html>.

The NRC will use your response, in part, to determine whether further enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements. Because these issues involve security-related information, your response will not be made available electronically for public inspection in the NRC's Public Document Room or from the NRC's Agency-wide Document Access and Management System (ADAMS). Please mark the top of each page of your response "Security-Related Information – Withhold Under 10 CFR 2.390". To the extent possible, your response should not include any personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information. In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390(b)(1)(ii), the NRC is waiving the affidavit requirements for your response.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter will be made available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room located at NRC Headquarters in Rockville, MD, and from the NRC's document system, the Agency-wide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS), accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. However, the material enclosed herewith contains Security-Related Information in accordance with 10 CFR 2.390(d)(1) and its disclosure to unauthorized individuals could present a security vulnerability. Therefore, the material in the enclosures will not be made available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the NRC's document system (ADAMS), accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

Current NRC regulations and guidance are included on the NRC's website at www.nrc.gov; select **Nuclear Materials; Med, Ind, & Academic Uses**; then **Regulations, Guidance and Communications**. The current Enforcement Policy is included on the NRC's website at www.nrc.gov; select **About NRC, Organizations & Functions; Office of Enforcement; Enforcement documents**; then **Enforcement Policy** (Under 'Related Information'). You may also obtain these documents by contacting the Government Printing Office (GPO) toll-free at 1-866-512-1800. The GPO is open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. EST, Monday through Friday (except Federal holidays).

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Please contact Penny Lanzisera at 610-337-5169 if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

/RA/

James P. Dwyer, Chief
Medical Branch
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Enclosures:

1. Notice of Violation (Non-Public)
2. Determination of Severity Level and Description of Corrective Actions (Non-Public)

cc: Shashadhar Mohapatra, Ph.D.,
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