

## UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION REGION I 631 PARK AVENUE KING OF PRUSSIA, PENNSYLVANIA 19406

Docket No. 030-14826

SEP 2 7 1979

Pharmatopes, Inc. ATTN: Mr. Robert Irwin Manager 4545 42nd Street, N.W. Washington D.C. 20016

Gentlemen:

Subject: Inspection 79-02

This refers to the inspection conducted by Ms. M. Campbell and Dr. Glenn of this office on September 13, 1979, of activities authorized by NRC License No. 08-18308-01MD and to the discussions of our findings held by Ms. Campbell and Dr. Glenn with yourself and Messrs. Vetica and Lewis of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

The inspection was an examination of activities conducted under your license as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and the conditions of your license. The inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, measurements made by the inspector, and observations by the inspector.

Our inspector also verified the steps you have taken to correct the item of noncompliance brought to your attention in a letter dated February 23, 1979. This item has not been completely corrected.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that certain of your activities were not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements, as set forth in the Notice of Violation, enclosed herewith as Appendix A. These items of noncompliance have been categorized into the levels as described in our correspondence to you dated December 31, 1974. This notice is sent to you pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.201 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. Section 2.201 requires you to submit to this office, within twenty (20) days of your receipt of this notice, a written statement or explanation in reply including: (1) corrective steps which have been taken by you and the results achieved; (2) corrective steps which will be taken to avoid further items of noncompliance; and (3) the date when full compliance will be achieved.

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From the discussion of our findings at the conclusion of the inspection, it is our understanding that you plan to evaluate your procedure for performing thyroid counting. You are advised that you should update your license by submitting a description of your procedure to the USNRC, License Management Branch, Washington, D.C. 20555. We will review this matter during the next inspection of your licensed program.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and your reply will be placed in the Public Document Room.

Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

Robert O. McClintock, Chief

Materials Radiological Protection

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Enclosure: Appendix A, Notice of Violation