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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Region 1 Office  
Office of Inspection and Enforcement  
631 Park Avenue  
King of Prussia, PA 19406

Re: Material License Number 20-12009-01  
Licensee Name: Berkshire Medical Center

Dear Sir:

This is to report a diagnostic misadministration to a patient occurring at Berkshire Medical Center for the last calendar quarter of 1980 (on November 17, 1980). The following information is hereby reported:

1. Licensee's Name: Berkshire Medical Center
2. The referring physician's name: Herbert Glodt, M.D.
3. Description of the event: 3 mCi of Tc-99m, was injected in a patient who was waiting for a "liver study", (In fact, he was waiting for an IVP for kidney X-rays) while the licensee was expecting a patient with a similar name to have a liver scan.
4. Effect on the patient: Determined to be unharmed to the patient except the low level radiation exposure.
5. Action taken to prevent recurrence:
  1. No administration of radioactive materials will be given unless positive identification of the patient has been made.
  2. No administration of radioactive materials will be given unless the detailed description of the diagnostic study has been given by the licensee to the patient, and that such study has matched with the study ordered.

Sincerely yours,

Edward A. Van Dyke  
Administrator  
Professional Services

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cc: Herbert Glodt, M.D.  
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