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SUBJECT: ALLIANCE HEALTHCARE SERVICES, INC. - NRC INSPECTION NO.  
03035774/2019007

Dear Ms. Kassel:

This letter refers to your September 11, 2019 correspondence, in response to our September 10, 2019 letter. Thank you for informing us of the corrective and preventive actions documented in your letter. These actions will be examined during a future inspection of your licensed program.

Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Donna M. Janda, Chief  
Medical and Licensing Assistance Branch  
Division of Nuclear Materials Safety  
Region I

Docket No. 03035774  
License No. 47-25570-01

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RE: Reply to Notice of Violation, NRC Permit 47-25570-01, docket number 03035774

Dear Ms. Janda,

Thank you for reviewing the report from Ms. Katanic's visit to the Alliance mobile unit in Idaho. In response to the notice of violation, I submit the following:

A. The technologist did not perform the incoming radioactive package receipt according to Alliance policy. A required wipe test for removable contamination was not completed. Alliance maintains the steps to properly receive radioactive packages posted on the wall in the hot lab to include the exterior wipe of each package. The Technologist did not perform this step in receiving the package.

Subsequently, Alliance performed a root cause investigation and has instituted corrective actions with this Technologist and the entire Northwest Team. The correct package receipt procedure has been reviewed with the Team and Alliance has confirmed the posting outlining the procedure is posted in the hot lab where packages are received on all mobile units.

B. The Alliance policy NM RS 0015-Ordering and Receiving Radioactive Materials has been updated to reflect the requirement to perform an external wipe of the package before the package is opened. The policy contained this language previously, but did not state that the wipe was required before opening the package. The policy has been amended to reflect the proper order of surveying and checking for removable contamination before opening the package.

Alliance appreciates this opportunity to improve our Radiation Safety Program. At this time, Alliance is in full compliance.

If you require any further information or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kay Kassel'.

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