

# KENNEBEC VALLEY MEDICAL CENTER

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August 10, 1989

Mohamed M. Shanbaky, Chief Nuclear Materials Safety Section A Division of Radiation Safety U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Region I 475 Allendale Rd. King of Prussia, PA 19406

### Gentlemen:

Referring to Notice of Violation Letter of Aug. 1, 1989,

License Nos. 18-11499-01 Docket Nos. 030-01774 18-11499-02 030-18988

We submit the following responses to the four violations noted.

#### Violation A

Effective July 3rd, 1989, no radiopharmaceuticals will be administered to patients who are not at Kennebec Valley Medical Center, Augusta or Gardiner Divisions.

### Violation B

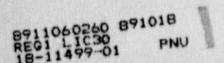
Effective July 3rd, 1989, storage dates of all radiopharmaceuticals will be carefully noted and none will be disposed of as ordinary trash unless 10 full half lives have passed and the containers surveyed to determine that its radioactivity cannot be distinguished from background.

### Violation C

The report required by Condition 18 of our License regarding source change documentation and compliance testing has been sent to your office on June 28, 1989.

#### Violation D

We will carefully schedule and perform the dose calibration linearity checks quarterly.



With regard to our misadministration of March 9, 1989:

After the misadministration on March 9, 1989, the following procedures were placed in effect:

Patients will be positively identified by:

- a) Wrist band when possible and/or
- b) Verbal communication and/or
- c) Positive photo identification and a verification by a second technician familiar with the patient.

We feel that these measures will eliminate any possibility of administering a treatment to the wrong patient.

Sincerely,

Warren Kessler

President

Dennis Allen

Radiation Physicist

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