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Docket No. 030-15125

License No. 37-18461-01MD

Syncor International Corporation
ATTN: Frank M. Comer
Chief, Health Physics Licensing
Keystone Court
900 Carpenter Crossing, Bay 1 and 2
Folcroft, Pennsylvania 19032

Gentlemen:

Subject: Routine Inspection No. 030-15125/89-01

On August 7, 1989, Ms. Jean A. Gresick of this office conducted a routine safety inspection at the above address of activities authorized by the above listed NRC license. 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 inspector, interviews with personnel, and a selective examination of representative records. The findings of the inspection were discussed with Elaine Crescenzi at the conclusion of the inspection.

During the course of the inspection, our inspector noted that reagent kits were prepared and labeled with an expiration time beyond what the manufacturer's instructions stated. This appeared to be in violation of Condition 19 of your license. A similar practice was identified and cited at the Syncor facility in Pittsburgh. This issue is currently being reviewed and reevaluated between the technical staffs of the NRC and FDA. Therefore, no violation of License Condition 19 for this practice will be cited at this time. However, this item will remain unresolved and be reviewed again in a future inspection.

No reply to this letter is required.

Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:
Mohamed M. Shanbaky

Mohamed M. Shanbaky, Chief
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