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Baraga County Memorial Hospital  
ATTN: John Tembreull  
Administrator  
770 North Main Street  
L'Anse, MI 49946

License No. 21-16394-01

Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Ms. E. R. Matson and Mr. W. T. King of this office on October 26, 1989, of activities authorized by NRC Byproduct Materials License No. 21-16394-01 and to the discussion of our findings with you and Mr. C. Koski at the conclusion of the inspection. This also refers to the management conference conducted by telephone on November 7, 1989 between members of our respective organizations. During the conference you addressed some of your corrective actions to the identified violations and to our concern regarding the management oversight of your program. These actions include amending your NRC license to reflect the change in your Radiation Safety Officer; having your consultant provide training to your staff and having your consultant conduct more frequent visits to your facility.

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 with the conditions of your license. The inspection consisted of a selective examination of procedures and representative records, observations, independent measurements, and interviews with personnel.

During this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Notice. A written response is required.

As discussed during the inspection and management conference, we are concerned about an apparent lack of management control and Radiation Safety Committee involvement in the radiation safety program. In your response, please describe your plans to improve these areas. We have enclosed Appendix B, "Management Control," to aid you in your response.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter, the enclosures, and your response to this letter will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

The responses directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

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We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely,

Bruce S. Mallett, Ph.D., Chief  
Nuclear Materials Safety Branch

Enclosures:

- 1. Notice of Violation
- 2. Appendix B

cc w/enclosures:  
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