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Veterans Administration Medical Center
ATTN: Sanford Garfunkel, Director
First Avenue and East 24th Street
New York, New York 10010

Gentlemen:

Subject: Enforcement Conference No. 31-00031-04/89-032

This letter refers to the enforcement conference held with John J. Donnellan and other members of your staff and Dr. Lee Bettenhausen and other members of the NRC staff on September 8, 1989, relating to activities authorized by the NRC license issued to The Veterans Administration Medical Center, New York, New York. It is our view that this conference was beneficial in that it improved your understanding of concerns regarding the violations identified during our routine inspection conducted on July 20, 1989. In addition, the conference gave us a better understanding of your actions to correct the documented violations and prevent them from recurring as well as your actions to correct other radiation safety program deficiencies. The subjects discussed during the conference are summarized in the enclosed Enforcement Conference report.

Enforcement action resulting from this inspection was transmitted to you under separate cover on October 13, 1989.

In accordance with Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 2.790, a copy of this letter and the enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

No reply to this letter is required. Your cooperation with us in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY:
JOHN T. GREEVES

Malcolm R. Knapp, Director
Division of Radiation Safety
and Safeguards

Enclosure:
NRC Region I Enforcement Conference Report No. 030-02611/89-002

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