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December 27, 1989

United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region III
799 Roosevelt Road
Glen Ellyn, ILL 60137

Attention: Roy J. Caniano, Chief
Nuclear Materials Safety

RE: License No. #24-16714-01

Dear Mr. Caniano:

In regards to the enclosed copy of your letter dated December 8, 1989, you asked for a written response to Item 2 on the Notice of Violation.

The Failure to record results of wipe test surveys performed during the interim period of September 30, 1986 through July 20, 1989. During this period the radiation wipe test surveys were performed, however, the resulting information was recorded as a check mark (✓) to signify that the wipe test results were less than or equal to background, (0.05 mr/hr). This reference was noted at the very top of the radiation survey records.

Prior to Mr. B. A. Parkers' visit to our Nuclear Medicine Department, the RSO (Dr. Lopez) and Tom Robinson decided in September of 1989, to represent the wipe test results by survey meter by documenting the actual mr/hr in the weekly radiation survey records. This was initiated to ensure the strictness of compliance. The RSO will review these records monthly and initial them.

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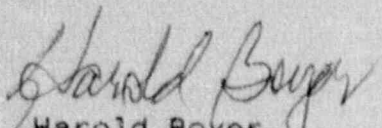
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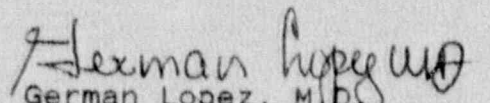
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We have also initiated a source check column in our survey records to document the use of an operational survey meter and the results thereof.

Sincerely,


Harold Boyer
Executive Director

Sincerely,


German Lopez, M.D.S.
Radiation Safety Officer

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Enclosures



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ATTN: Harold Boyer
Administrator
621 Pine Boulevard
Poplar Bluff, MO 63901

License No. 24-16714-01

Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Mr. B. A. Parker of this office on November 20, 1989, of activities authorized by NRC Byproduct Material License No. 24-16714-01 and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. Charles Case and Mr. Tom Robinson at the conclusion of the inspection.

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 described in the Notice. With respect to Item 1, the inspection showed that actions had been taken to correct the identified violation and to prevent recurrence. These actions included the assignment of alternate members to the Radiation Safety Committee to ensure that quorum requirements were met for quarterly meetings. Consequently, no reply to the violation is required and we have no further questions regarding this matter at this time.

Regarding the remaining item, a written response is required.

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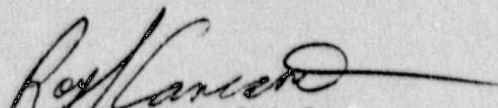
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We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely,


Roy J. Caniano, Chief
Nuclear Materials Safety
Section 2

Enclosure: Notice
of Violation

cc w/enclosure:
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NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Doctor's Regional Medical Center
Poplar Bluff, MO 63901

License No. 24-16714-01

As a result of the inspection conducted on November 20, 1989, and in accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C, (1989) (Enforcement Policy) the following violations were identified:

License Condition No. 15 states that this license is based on the licensee's statements and representations listed in application dated January 6, 1986.

1. Item 7 of application dated January 6, 1986 requires the Radiation Safety Committee to meet as often as necessary to conduct its business, but not less than once in each calendar quarter.

Contrary to the above, the licensee's Radiation Safety Committee failed to meet during the first quarter of 1989.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement VI).

2. Item 17 of application dated January 6, 1986 requires a permanent record to be kept of all survey results, including negative results.

Contrary to the above, on multiple occasions from September 30, 1986 through July 20, 1989, the licensee failed to record the results of wipe test surveys performed during that period.

This is a Severity Level V violation (Supplement VI).

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, you are required to submit to this office within thirty days of the date of this Notice a written statement or explanation in reply, including for each violation: (1) the corrective steps that have been taken and the results achieved; (2) the corrective steps that will be taken to avoid further violations; and (3) the date when full compliance will be achieved. Consideration may be given to extending your response time for good cause shown.

Dated

December 8, 1989

Roy J. Cantano
Roy J. Cantano, Chief
Nuclear Materials Safety
Section 2

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