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License No. 13-14823-01

Bedford Medical Center ATTN: Mr. Pittman Administrative Director 2900 W. Sixteenth Street Bedford, JN 47421

Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Mr. K. J. Lambert of this office on January 9, 1990, of activities authorized by NRC Byproduct Material License No. 13-14823-01 and to the discussion of our findings with you and your staff 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.

As discussed with you at the conclusion of the inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements. Specifically, you failed to perform monthly operational checks of your reusable Xenon collection system. In January when your present technologist assumed the duties of Nuclear Medicine Technologist, he identified the failure to perform monthly operational checks and took prompt and adequate action to correct this violation and prevent its recurrence.

Because the NRC wants to encourage and support licensee initiative for self-identification and correction of problems, the NRC may exercise discretion in accordance with 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C, Section V. G. and refrain from issuing a Notice of Violation.

As a result of this inspection, a Notice of Violation is not issued due to your identification and corrective action concerning the violation described above. It is not necessary that you acknowledge receipt of this letter.

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

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

Sincerely,

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