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In Reply Refer To:
License: 35-17177-01
Docket: 030-12310/89-01

McCurtain Memorial Hospital
ATTN: W. Daniel Cobbs
Administrator/CEO
P.O. Box 1019
Idabel, Oklahoma 74745

Gentlemen:

Thank you for your letter of January 5, 1990, in response to our letter and attached Notice of Violation both dated December 26, 1989. We have reviewed your reply and find it responsive to the concerns raised in our Notice of Violation. We will review the implementation of your corrective actions during a future inspection to determine whether full compliance has been achieved and will be maintained.

Sincerely,
Original Signed By:
A. B. BEACH

A. Bill Beach, Director
Division of Radiation Safety
and Safeguards

cc:
Oklahoma Radiation Control Program Director

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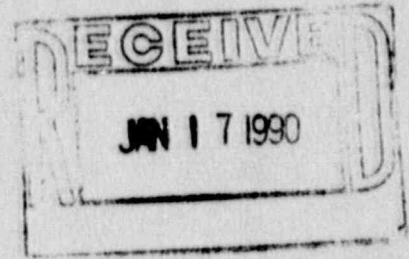
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January 5, 1990

A. Bill Beach, Director
Division of Radiation Safety
and Safeguards
U.S. NRC, Region IV
611 Ryan Plaza Drive, Suite 1000
Arlington, Texas 76011

RE: License: 35-17177-01
Docket: 030-12310/89-01

Dear Mr. Beach,

This is in reference to your December 26, 1989 correspondence regarding an inspection of our Nuclear Medicine Department. We have already changed our area monitoring protocol to encompass a weekly survey of the radioactive waste storage area. That is, each week the waste storage area is checked with a survey meter and recorded for the ambient dose rate and for removable contamination.

The reason that this particular area was not surveyed during the past few years is that it was ignored. It is apparent with the new survey protocol that has been adopted as of January 2, 1990, that the violation has been resolved. Since those survey records are audited once every quarter by the physicist, further violations of this order will be unlikely. It is further believed that full compliance for resolving this problem has been achieved as of January 2, 1990.

If any further information is required regarding this notice of violation, please contact our physicist, Mike Morris at (918) 372-4229 or Doug David, ARRT, Director of Nuclear Medicine (405) 286-7623 ext. 156.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Trilla Frazier".

Trilla Frazier
Assistant Administrator

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Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine, unannounced radiation safety inspection conducted by Mr. G. Michael Vasquez of this office on December 6, 1989, of the activities authorized by NRC Byproduct Material License 35-17177-01, and to the discussion of our findings held by the inspector with members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

The inspection was an examination of the activities conducted under the license as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and the conditions of the license. The inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews of personnel, independent measurements, and observations by the inspector.

During this inspection, certain of your activities were found not to be conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements. Consequently, you are required to respond to this matter in writing, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.201 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. Your response should be based on the specifics contained in the Notice of Violation enclosed with this letter.

The inspector also reviewed the actions you had taken with respect to the violation observed during our previous inspection conducted on December 11, 1985. He verified that the corrective actions had been implemented as stated in your reply dated December 11, 1985.

In general, your radiation safety program appeared effective. Records appeared thorough and complete. Utilization of a consultant to provide third party audits and training also appeared effective. Your continued diligence is required to maintain your program at its current state and to guard against complacency. This is especially important for a program of your size, where the technologist performs zero to two nuclear medicine procedures per day.

The response directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice is 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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Should you have any questions concerning this letter, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:

A. B. BEACH

A. Bill Beach, Director
Division of Radiation Safety
and Safeguards

Enclosure:
Appendix - Notice of Violation

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APPENDIX
NOTICE OF VIOLATION

McCurtain Memorial Hospital
Idabel, Oklahoma

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During an NRC inspection conducted on December 6, 1989, a violation of NRC requirements was identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C (1989) (Enforcement Policy), the violation is listed below:

License Condition 13 states, in part, that the license is based on the Application dated July 22, 1987. Item 10.12 of the application states that the licensee has implemented the model procedure for area surveys published in Regulatory Guide 10.8, Revision 2, Appendix N. The referenced model procedure requires, in part, that radiopharmaceuticals waste storage areas be surveyed weekly for ambient dose rates and removable contamination.

Contrary to the above, the licensee had not performed the required surveys between January 1, 1985, and December 6, 1989, in a storage area where Mo-99/Tc-99m generators are stored for decay-in-storage.

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

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, McCurtain Memorial Hospital is hereby required to submit to this office, within 30 days of the date of the letter transmitting this Notice, a written statement or explanation in reply, including for each violation: (1) the reason for the violation if admitted, (2) the corrective steps which have been taken and the results achieved, (3) the corrective steps which will be taken to avoid further violations, and (4) the date when full compliance will be achieved. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

Dated at Arlington, Texas,
this 26th day of December 1989