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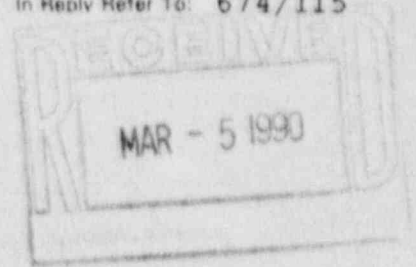


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Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attention: A. Bill Beach, Director
Division of Radiation Safety
and Safeguards
611 Ryan Plaza Drive, Suite 1000
Arlington, Texas 76011



Gentlemen:

In response to your Notice of Violation, License 42-10739-03, dated February 14, the following explanation is submitted.

Both violations occurred due to inadvertent oversight by the Radiation Safety Officer and consultant physicists. The violations have been corrected and policy and procedure established to prevent further violations.

A check source of 1 μ Ci Cesium-137 has been attached to the primary survey instrument, and the exposure rate has been determined and recorded. The instrument is checked each day of use with the dedicated check source. The back-up instrument's exposure rates have also been determined and recorded utilizing another 1 μ Ci Cesium-137 check source. The check source will be submitted with the instrument for calibration.

Quarterly inventories of sealed and brachytherapy sources will be conducted in January, April, July, and October of each year in accordance with 10 CFR 35.59(g). This requirement will be fulfilled as part of our quarterly physicist's inspection.

Full compliance has now been achieved with the purchase and daily use of the survey meter check source and the quarterly inventory of sealed and brachytherapy sources conducted by the Radiation Safety Officer in January 1990.

Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact: Mr. Robert Taylor, Radiation Safety Officer, at (817) 778-4811, extension 5827.

Sincerely yours,

E. A. BORRELL
Director

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