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Docket No. 30-01565

Veterans Administration Center

ATTN: John D. Bunger

Director Togus, Maine 04333

Subject: Inspection No. 81-01

Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Mr. J. Nicolosi of this office on September 22, 1981 of activities authorized by NRC License No. 18-07561-01 and to the discussions of our findings held by Mr. J. Nicolosi with Mr. Nichols of 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 the conditions of your license. The inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, measurements made by the inspector, and observations by the inspector.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that certain of your activities were not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements, as set forth in the Notice of Violation, enclosed herewith as Appendix A. These items of noncompliance have been categorized into the levels described in the Federal Register Notice (45 FR 66754) dated October 7. 1980. You are required to respond to this letter and in preparing your response, you should follow the instructions in Appendix A.

Based on the discussions at the conclusion of the inspection, it is our understanding that you will review your procedures for the receipt of radioactive materials to ensure that they are adequately secured against unauthorized removal. We will review your action on this matter during the next scheduled inspection of your licensed activities.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and your reply will be placed in the Public Document Room.

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Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:

John D. Kinneman, Chief, Materials Radiological Protection Section, Technical Inspection Branch

Enclosure: Appendix A, Notice of Violation

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