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Castle Medical Center 640 Ulukahiki Street Kailua, Hawaii 96734

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT 93-01

Attention:

John Monge

Vice President, Business Outpatient Services

This refers to the routine unannounced inspection conducted by Messrs. Troy W. Pruett, and Kent Prendergast of this office on February 9-11, 1993. The inspection included a review of activities authorized for your facility in Kailua, Hawaii. At the conclusion of the inspection, the initial inspection findings were discussed with the individuals identified in the enclosed report. Subsequent discussions relative to the inspection were also held with other members of your staff on February 19 and 22, 1993.

Areas examined during this inspection are described in the report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations of activities in progress.

Based on the results of this inspection, nineteen apparent violations were identified and are being considered for escalated enforcement action in accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions" (Enforcement Policy), 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C. The apparent violations are described in detail in the enclosed report. Some of the apparent violations overlap, but have been presented as specifically as possible to facilitate your focus and ours on the weaknesses of your program, rather than to exaggerate the safety significance of the findings. Notwithstanding the overlap, however, the violations collectively seem to indicate a failure to fully implement your Quality Management Program, failure to provide adequate instructions to your nuclear medicine staff, and failure to comply with several specific requirements of your license and 10 CFR Part 35 as they relate to safe use of radioactive materials. Accordingly, no Notice of Violation is presently being issued for these inspection findings. In addition, please be advised that the number and characterization of the apparent violations described in the enclosed inspection report may change as a result of further NRC review.

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An enforcement conference to discuss these apparent violations has been scheduled for March 19, 1993, 10:00 AM at the Castle Medical Center, Kailua, Hawaii. The purposes of this conference are to discuss the apparent violations, their cause and safety significance; to provide you the opportunity to point out any errors in our inspection report; to provide an opportunity for you to present your proposed corrective actions; and to discuss any other information that will help us determine the appropriate enforcement action in accordance with the Enforcement Policy. You will be advised by separate correspondence of the results of our deliberations on this matter. No response regarding these apparent violations is required at this time.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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Ross A. Scarano, Director Division of Radiation Safety

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Enclosure:

Inspection Report 93-01

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