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License No. 41-00119-08

Veterans Affairs Medical Center
ATTN: Mr. Kenneth Mulholland
Director
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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 41-00119-08/90-01

This refers to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) inspection conducted by Mr. J. Pelchat on September 18, 1990. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with you and other members of your staff. The findings were also discussed in a telephone conversation between you and Mr. W. Cline of this office on September 26, 1990.

The inspection was an examination of activities conducted under your license with respect to radiation safety and compliance with NRC regulations and the conditions of your license. It included selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and direct observations by the inspector.

The inspection findings indicate that certain activities appeared to violate NRC requirements. The apparent violations described in the enclosed Inspection Report are under consideration for escalated enforcement action. Accordingly, a Notice of Violation is not being issued at this time, and a response to this letter is not required. However, please be advised that the number and the character of the apparent violations described in the enclosed Inspection Report may change as a result of further NRC review. An Enforcement Conference to discuss these issues has been scheduled for October 18, 1990. You will be advised by separate correspondence of the results of our deliberations on this matter.

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 its enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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Should you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact us.

Sincerely,

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NRC Inspection Report

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