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August 3, 1982

Mr. Thomas T. Martin, Director
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Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region 1
631 Park Avenue
King of Prussia, Pennsylvania 19406

Dear Mr. Martin:

This letter is in response to your letter to Newton Memorial Hospital dated June 29, 1982. Please note that Newton Memorial Hospital received your letter on July 14, 1982 and hence the date with which this response is forwarded to you is simply explained.

I appreciated the areas which you found to be in noncompliance as a result of the inspection of the Nuclear Medicine Department held on April 22, 1982. Please allow me to personally assure you that I have taken specific corrective action to the problems noted, especially to those involving the specific individual responsible for the obvious violations:

- (A) The Nuclear Medicine Laboratory is now locked at all times when not immediately under the visual surveillance and hence immediate control of the Department Head or his designee.
- (B)(1)(a) Syringe shields shall be utilized by the Nuclear Medicine Technologist(s) in all preparation efforts and in all instances during the administration of patient doses.
- (B)(1)(b) All Nuclear Medicine Technologists are required to wear gloves during the administration of radioisotopes to the patients.
- (B)(2) All tests of the dose calibrator for linearity shall be checked using the maximum anticipated activity of the first elution from a generator. Monthly spot checks by our Physics Consultant have been and will be employed in the future to insure that these corrective steps will be instituted. The Hospital Administration shall be informed of any violations and the Hospital Administration

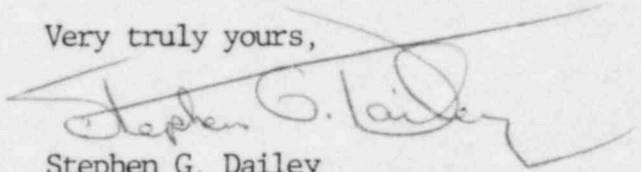
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(myself personally) will review these areas to insure appropriate continuity of these corrective steps with the Radiation Safety Officer informed of the corrective actions and any violations therein.

Mr. Martin, should you have any further questions in regard to my responses to your letter, please contact me directly.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Stephen G. Dailey", is written over a horizontal line. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Stephen G. Dailey
Assistant Administrator

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CC: Mr. H. Carr,
Nuclear Medicine Technologist