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Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey
ATTN: Richard M. Norman
Vice President for Administration
and Associate Treasurer
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New Brunswick, New Jersey 08903

Dear Mr. Norman:

Subject: Inspection Nos. 030-00883/94-001, 030-06991/94-001, 030-00356/94-001,
030-22083/94-001 and 070-00343/94-001

From January 31 through February 7, 1994, James P. Dwyer and C. Thor Oberg of this office conducted routine safety inspections at the Busch, Cook, and Newark Campuses of Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, of activities authorized by the above listed NRC licenses. On February 3, 1994, Dr. Mohamed M. Shanbaky, Chief, Research and Development Section, Division of Radiation Safety and Safeguards, also participated in the inspection. The inspection was an examination of your licensed activities as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Commission's regulations and the license conditions. The inspection consisted of observations by the inspectors, interviews with personnel, and a selective examination of representative records. The findings of the inspection were discussed with you, Michael Quinlan, Sylvia Wittenberg, Deborah Silva, and Martin Costello at the conclusion of the inspection. A copy of the NRC inspection report is enclosed. This also refers to the telephone conversations on February 4 and 7, 1994, between Ms. Silva and Mr. Dwyer regarding radioactive sealed sources that may have been inappropriately labeled by the manufacturer as containing a stable nuclide.

During the exit interview, a discussion was held regarding your decommissioning funding plan for financial assurance. In lieu of a costly financial instrument from a lending institution, the NRC is requiring a signed "Statement of Intent" from Rutgers University. However, because Rutgers University is a State of New Jersey Institution, the statement of intent must be signed by a state official with the authority to spend money on behalf of the state and not a financial administrator of the University. You and your staff agreed to pursue this through proper channels.

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Concerns identified during our Inspection No. 92-001 (an apparent lack of response to previously identified issues, the need to complete procedural training for all users, and the need to amend your broad scope license to allow the continued handling of radioactive waste from the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey) have been addressed and the issues are closed. Further, your effective audit program has resulted in a noted improvement with respect to compliance with license conditions and with radiological control.

Within the scope of this inspection, no radiation safety violations were identified.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and enclosure will be placed in the Public Document Room. No reply to this letter is required.

Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Original Signed By:
Ronald R. Bellamy



Mohamed M. Shanbaky, Chief
Research and Development
Division of Radiation Safety
and Safeguards

Enclosure:

Combined Inspection Report Nos. 030-00883/94-001,
030-06991/94-001, 030-00356/94-001, 030-22083/94-001,
and 070-00343/94-001

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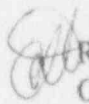
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
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