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Region II
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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 52-25058/90-01 - RESPONSE TO VIOLATION

This is in reply to the Notice of Violation dated March 14, 1990 as a result of the evaluation of the findings reported by Mr. Mark P. Elliott, during the safety inspection of February 6, 1990.

VIOLATION A: It is admitted. In order to improve labeling procedures of containers and syringes containing radioactive material, six (6) small lead shields were labelled with the six (6) most commonly diagnostic study names and radioisotope used. Any other different study and/or radioisotope, syringes and shields will be properly identified.

Full compliance for February 20, 1990.

VIOLATION B: It is admitted with corrections. No nuclear radiation sources were in the Hospital from July 18, 1988 through November 5, 1989. Calibration sources were received in the Nuclear Medicine Laboratory on November 6, 1990. The initiation of the Nuclear Medicine Laboratory was on November 28, 1989.

Due to the fact that the sealed source for leakage tests were performed by the supplier on different dates, the Cs-137 source was not tested for leakage on July 17, 1989 as is the norm. The other two (2) sources were in compliance with the regulations.

To avoid further violations, all three (3) sources are being leak tested on the same date.

Full compliance for February 20, 1990.

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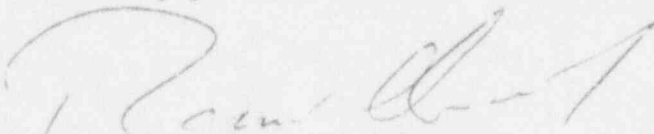
VIOLATION C: Violation is admitted. No similar violation has been self-identified during all the past radiation safety inspections performed in the Nuclear Medicine Laboratory since that violation.

Cotton Swabs were immediately collected and disposed of as radioactive waste for decay in the Hot Room.

This event was taken by all Laboratory workers as a stimulation to always keep good radiation safety practices.

I hope this completes satisfactorily all items of this "Reply to a Notice of Violation."

Sincerely yours,



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Encl.: Notice of Violation