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In Reply Refer To:

License: 42-01368-01

42-01368-02

Docket: 30-03258/90-01

30-00504/90-01

Department of the Army
Brooke Army Medical Center
ATTN: HSHE-MP
Ft. Sam Houston, Texas 78234

Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine, unannounced radiation safety inspection conducted by Mr. Anthony D. Gaines of this office on July 17-18, 1990, of the activities authorized by NRC Byproduct Material License Nos. 42-01368-01 and 42-01368-02, and to the discussion of our findings held by the inspector with members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

The inspection was an examination of the activities conducted under the license as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and the conditions of the license. The inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews of personnel, independent measurements, and observations by the inspector.

During this inspection, certain of your activities were found not to be conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements. Consequently, you are required to respond to this matter in writing, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.201 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. Your response should be based on the specifics contained in the Notice of Violation enclosed with this letter.

The inspector noted that contract employees performed work that was directly related to licensed brachytherapy and teletherapy operations. These contract employees were not supplied personnel dosimetry issued by the Army but instead wore contractor-supplied dosimetry. It was also noted that the Army did not receive reports from the contractor as to the contract employees' quarterly dose, and that in some cases contract employees worked at other hospitals using the same dosimetry. Therefore, the dose that was received by the contract employees at the licensee's facility was not being evaluated, as noted in the attached Notices of Violation.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter, the enclosures, and your response to this letter will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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The response directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice is not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

Should you have any questions concerning this letter, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

Thomas P. Bayne,
for A. Bill Beach, Director
Division of Radiation Safety
and Safeguards

Enclosures:

1. Appendix A - Notice of Violation
2. Appendix B - Notice of Violation

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*WLFisher
*ADGaines
*NMIS
*MIS System
*RIV Files (2)
*RSTS Operator
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