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Naeve Hospital
 ATTN: Larry Pfaff
 Administrator
 404 Fountain Street
 Albert Lea, MN 56007

License No. 22-15252-02
 Docket No. 030-11464

Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Mr. J. L. Lynch of this office on August 30, 1990, of activities authorized by NRC Byproduct Material License No. 22-15252-02 and to the discussion of our findings with you and members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

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

During this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Notice. A written response is required.

Violation No. 1 is a repeat item. In your response to this violation, please describe why your proposed corrective action is expected to be more successful in preventing future or similar violations than the corrective action specified in your January 19, 1989 letter.

In addition to our concern for your corrective action with respect to the violations noted, we are concerned that Dr. Charles Frye, the Radiation Safety Officer and the only authorized user, was not fully aware of his responsibilities toward the teletherapy program. Dr. Frye showed some reluctance in assuming these responsibilities due to the time commitment, the distance between St. Paul and Albert Lea and the age of the teletherapy unit. In your reply to this letter, please describe what action will be taken to improve the effectiveness of your management control over the teletherapy program.

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.

The responses directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice are 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.

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We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely,

Roy J. Caniano, Chief
Nuclear Materials Safety
Section 2

Enclosure: Notice of Violation

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