In Reply Refer To: License: 05-26854-01 Docket: 30-29534/90-01

Department of the Army Evans Army Community Hospital Preventive Medicine - RPO ATTN: Colonel John Parker, M.D. Hospital Commander Fort Carson, Colorado 80913-5207

Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine, unannounced radiation safety inspection conducted by Mr. Wesley Holley of this office on Septemb: 13, 1990, of the activities authorized by NRC Byproduct Material License No. 05-26854-01, 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.

The inspector reviewed the organization of the nuclear medicine department and also the effectiveness of the radiation safety committee and the radiation protection officer (RPO) in managing the various aspects of your radiation safety program. He noted an improvement in the radiation safety aspect of your nuclear medicine program with the recent installation of the new RPO staff. Although violations were identified during this inspection, the inspector observed that the present individuals appeared to function well in their respective roles and generally directed program audits that identified and corrected potential safety problems.

The inspector observed that licensed material was adequately secured and used in accordance with applicable Commission regulations. Interviews of the licensee's staff demonstrated that they were informed regarding operating and emergency procedures pertaining to the use of radioactive material in nuclear medicine.

As stated above, 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 englosed with this letter.

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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 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,

Original Signed By: A. B. BEACH

A. Bill Beach, Director Division of Radiation Safety and Safeguards

Enclosure: Appendix ~ Notice of Violation

cc: Colorado Radiation Control Program Director

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