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RE: Routine Inspection No. 030-00112/90-001

Gentlemen:

This letter is sent in response to the Notice of Violation, Docket No. 030-00112. The responses below were discussed with administration.

Violation A. Full calibration of the Cobalt unit was performed by an individual not listed on the teletherapy license to perform the duties of the teletherapy physicist.

It is true that much of the data in the calibration was taken by a person other than the teletherapy physicist. However the calibration was performed under the direct supervision of the teletherapy physicist and some of the data was taken by him. All of the data was taken by a qualified physicist and reviewed by the teletherapy physicist of record. It was not clear to the teletherapy physicist that he could not use the assistance of another person. It is now recognized that no assistance from any person for annual calibrations should be utilized who is not named as a "teletherapy physicist". Any person who will perform such calibrations will be added to the license. The cobalt unit is currently be calibrated by the teletherapy physicist of record.

Violation B. Instructions on emergency procedures for the Cobalt Unit were not conspicuously posted at the Cobalt Unit control console.

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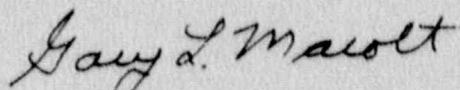
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The instructions were posted but were then removed to replace the wall covering. The instructions were not subsequently replaced. They are now posted at the control console as required. The radiation therapy supervisor has been told of the importance of assuring that these instructions are not removed.

I hope you will find these responses satisfactory.

Sincerely,



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