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RE: Reply to NRC Response to Notice of Violation
NRC Inspection 030-02893/93-01

Gentlemen:

This is a response to your letter dated 04/14/94 regarding inadequate response to the NRC with the reason for the violation.

The violation involves the misadministration of 5 mCi ^{131}I NaI. At the time of this misadministration the chief technologist was on maternity leave from the medical center. A second, full-time technologist (NMT) was also working at our facility and assumed the responsibility of the chief technologist. A temporary nuclear medicine technologist (NMT) was working at our facility to help with the workload. The temporary NMT was under close supervision of the second technologist during her 12 week employment, since this temporary technologist had not worked in the nuclear medicine field for 14 years. This change in staffing with the added responsibility to the second technologist who was involved in the misadministration may have contributed to the misadministration.

Also during this time major construction activities at our medical center are believed to have contributed to the misadministration. This construction involved the building of a new outpatient/emergency room facility adjacent to the Nuclear Medicine Department. This construction disrupted departmental activities daily with marked noise levels created by jackhammers, rock drills and other construction equipment.

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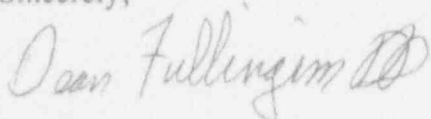
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These factors are believed to have contributed to the second technologist's failure to properly verify the patient's identity as the individual named in a written directive.

Sincerely,



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