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In Reply Refer To:
License: 35-16700-01
Docket: 030-11490/90-01

Eastern Oklahoma Medical Center
ATTN: Bobby D. Cox
Administrator and CEO
105 Wall Street
Poteau, Oklahoma 74953

Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine, unannounced radiation safety inspection conducted by Messrs. Richard A. Leonardi, Jr., and Bruce Earnest of this office on November 1, 1990, of the activities authorized by NRC Byproduct Material License No. 35-16700-01, and to the discussion of our findings held by the inspectors 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 inspectors.

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 inspectors noted that the nuclear medicine department is small with a limited workload of about 20 procedures per month. The department is located temporarily in the surgery waiting area until a new hospital addition is completed.

The nuclear medicine staff appeared competent. The inspectors also reviewed the effectiveness of the audits performed by an outside consultant, and hospital management appeared to be responsive to the consultant's recommendations.

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BEarnest
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C:NMSIS *lxc*
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The inspectors also reviewed the actions taken with respect to the violation observed during our previous inspection conducted on January 19, 1988. They verified that the corrective actions for this violation had been implemented as stated in your reply letter dated March 14, 1988.

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:
Oklahoma Radiation Control Program Director

bcc:
DMB - Original (IE-07)
RDMartin
ABBeach
LAYandell
MRodriguez, OC/LFDCB (4503)
*WLFisher
*CLCain
*Inspector
*NMSIS
*MIS System
*RIV Files (2)
*RSTS Operator
*REHall, URFO

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