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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

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Donnie Grimsley, Director FOIA and Publication Services U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission MS P-370 Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Grimsley:

This is a request for access to public records under 5 USC 552, the Freedom of Information Act. Under provisions of that statute, I am requesting copies of the following records:

- 1. All correspondence to or from Peter Crane, Office of General Counsel, involving NRC inspections and investigations of an incident at University of Cincinnati Hospital in August and September 1984. This was an apparent misadministration involving a terminally ill patient who was implanted with I-125 seeds and involved allegations of staff misconduct.
- 2. All correspondence to or from Dr. Eugene Saenger of the University of Cincinnati involving the same incident.
- 3. The name of the patient involved in this incident. Because the patient is deceased, he/she no longer has a protectable privacy interest.
- 4. A listing of all medical institutions in the United States that own or operate teletherapy systems manufactured by Theratronics International Ltd. of Kanata, Ontario (formerly Atomic Energy of Canada Ltd.). This information should include, but not be limited to, the following: the name and address of the medical facility; the model of each Theratronics teletherapy unit owned or operated by each facility; the serial number of each unit; the date each unit was purchased or put into service; and whether each machine currently is being used in patient therapy.

This request particularly applies to the following Theratronics models: Theratron Junior, Eldorado A, Eldorado G, Eldorado Super G, Ceasatron E, Eldorado 6, Eldorado 8, Theratron 60, Theratron 80 and Theratron 80 R.

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If any of these records are withheld, I'm requesting a written citation of the applicable FOIA exemption for each record, or portion thereof, that is denied. I am also asking for a waiver of search and copying fees because the information gained in this request will be used in stories I am writing for this newspaper.

Thanks for your help. If you have any questions, I can be reached at (216) 344-4987.

Sincerely,

Ted Wendling