

HOSPITAL DR. ALEJANDRO OTERO LOPEZ

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December 3, 1990

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Region II 101 Marietta St., N.W. Atlanta, Georgia, 30323 ATTN: William E. Cline

> Re: Docket No. 030-30003 Lic. No. 52-24916-01

Dear Sirs:

This is a "Reply to a Notice of Violation" dated November 9, 1990. As recommended, the following written statements indicate reason or comments, corrective steps and date of full compliance for each violation:

A. Due to the fact that no liquid I-131 dasages are administered at the Alejandro Otero Lópe? Hospital, it was not considered relevant to have personnel be performed thyroid burden analysis when gelatin capsulated I-131 are only used and handled.

Starting December 1, 1990, Model Procedure for radiation safety during I-131 treatments (App. B - Regulatory Guide 10.8 - August, 1987) specifically, Item 10 will be followed for measuring personnel thyroid burden.

B. The meeting for the third quarter of 1989 was suspended as a consequence of the Hugo hurricane.

As a measure to avoid further violations:

a. We are requesting the radiation physics consultant to attend next Radiation Safety Committee meeting, comment the recent NRC Notification Natice No. 90-71 dated No. 6, 1990 and review the Committee's members duties and responsibilities.

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- b. During the first RSC meeting, it will be prepared a tentative schedule for the meetings of the whole year. Full compliance for December 12, 1990.
- C. It was expected that those two leak test mentioned and due to June 13 and December 13, 1989 were already performed but the reports were misplaced in the Files of the Radiology Department. They could not be found.

In order to avoid this type of violations in the future, the Hospital radiation physics consultant was contacted and by mutual agreement, the sealed sources leak test performance will be considered by him as part of his consulting services for the Nuclear Medicine Laboratory. Full compliance on December 12, 1990.

Hope to have replied this Notice of Violation satisfactorily and please note our deeply concern to accomplish all Radiation Safety Regulations in our Institution.

Sincerely yours,

Milton Maldonado

Executive Administrator