

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION REGION V

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License No. 53-29007-01 JAN

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Hilo Radiologic Associates, Ltd. 670 Ponahawai Street, Suite 210 Hilo, Hawaii

Attention: Dr. James Lambeth Radiation Safety Officer

Gentlemen:

Subject: NRC Inspection

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Mr. J. F. Pang of this office on November 26, 1990 of activities authorized by NRC License No. 53-29007-01 and to the discussion of our findings held by Mr. Pang with Mr. Daniel Rickenbacher and Mrs. Danielle Scudder of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

The inspection was an examination of the activities conducted under your license as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and the conditions of your license. The inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspector.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that certain of your activities were not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements, as set forth in the enclosed Notice of Violation. These items have been categorized into severity levels as described in the NRC Enforcement Policy, 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C (1991).

In addition to the need for corrective action regarding the specific violations in the Notice of Violation, we are concerned about the implementation of your management control system that permitted the violations to occur. Consequently, in your reply you should describe in particular those actions taken or planned to improve the effectiveness of your overall management control system.

Your response to this Notice is to be submitted in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201 as stated in the Notice of Violation.

The responses directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice are 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.

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If you have any questions on this matter or concerning this inspection, please telephone Mr. Pang on 415-943-3700.

Sincerely,

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Robert J. Pate, Chief Nuclear Materials Safety and Safeguards Branch

Enclosure: Notice of Violation

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