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Veterans Administration Medical Center 3350 La Jolla Village Drive San Diego, California 92161

Attention: Mr. Thomas Trujillo Medical Center Director

Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION AND ENFORCEMENT CONFERENCE

This letter refers to the special reactive inspection conducted by Mr. James L. Montgomery and a team of inspectors on November 2-4, 1930 and December 10-14, 1990, of activities authorized by NRC License Number 04-15030-01. In particular the inspection team concentrated their efforts on radiation incidents involving radioactive material contamination, medical diagnostic misadministration and personnel radiation exposure. The initial findings of this inspection were discussed with you and members of your staff at your office on December 14, 1990.

The inspection was an examination of the activities conducted under your NRC 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 records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspectors.

During this inspection, certain of your activities were found to be in apparent violation of NRC requirements. The number and type of violations identified by you and the NRC indicate a lack of management control over your radiation safety program. Due to our concern for these apparent violations, you should prepare a response to the items discussed in the enclosed inspection report for presentation at an enforcement conference which has been scheduled for 1:00 PM, January 10, 1991 at your office.

The need for and nature of the enforcement actions relative to the apparent violations, as discussed in the enclosed inspection report, will be considered after the enforcement conference and will be the subject of separate correspondence.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Robert J. Pate at 415-975-0542.

Sincerely, 1carane ad d

Ross A. Scarano, Director Division of Radiation Safety and Safeguards

Enclosure: Inspection Report No. 030-08456/90-03 9101140080 910103 REG5 LIC30 04-15030-01 PDR

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