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In Reply Refer To:  
License: 25-07553-01  
Docket: 030-02396/90-01

St. Vincent Hospital and Health Center  
ATTN: James Paquette, President  
P.O. Box 35200  
Billings, Montana 59107-5200

Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine, unannounced radiation safety inspection conducted by Mr. R. A. Brown of this office on November 28, 1990, of the activities authorized by NRC Byproduct Material License No. 25-07553-01, and to the discussion of our findings held by the inspector with members of your staff 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 inspector.

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.

In reviewing your program, the inspector noted staff interest in the program which is essential in maintaining an effective radiation safety program. The violations identified by the inspector should be easily corrected and enable you to operate at the level expected by the NRC.

The inspector also reviewed the actions you had taken with respect to the violations observed during our previous inspection conducted on April 28, 1988. He verified that corrective actions had been implemented.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter, the enclosure, 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.

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C:NMSIS  
CLCain  
1/10/91

D:DRSS  
ABBeach  
1/15/91

\*Previously concurred

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Should you have any questions concerning this letter, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:  
LAWRENCE A. YANDELL *for*

A. Bill Beach, Director  
Division of Radiation Safety  
and Safeguards

Enclosure:  
Appendix - Notice of Violation

cc:  
Montana Radiation Control Program Director

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