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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Dear Ms. Darden:

I am writing you this letter in response to the notice of violation the nuclear medicine department had during your recent inspections on September 20, 1990

- 1. 20.201: The wipe test was not done on 7-6; 6-7 and 6-21, 1990 because of short staff since at this time we had only one technologist.

The wipe test was not done on 8-3 and 8-30, 1990 while it was done on 8-7 and 7-27; and on 8-24 and 9-6, 1990 thinking that so long it was done once/week and not exactly every seven days would be enough.

Action: I instructed all our nuclear medicine technologists that the wipe test should be done on a weekly basis (every seven days). If we are short of staff, the schedule will be changed accordingly so that the technologist will have time to do the other tests and requirements by the NRC.

- 2. 35.50: Linearity tests do not include any evaluation of error percentages.

Action: I instructed Judy Skitek, our chief technologist in nuclear medicine that the linearity tests will be done in a percentage way.

The linearity test was not done on the ^{year} quarter of 1988 which was overlooked by us. As for the first quarter of 1989: yes it should have been done in March of 1989, but instead it was done on April 12, 1989.

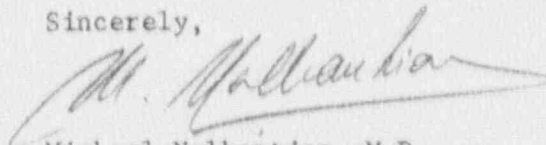
Action: The linearity tests will be done on a quarterly basis and this will be presented also in percentage. This will be enforced.

3. 35.22: Radiation Safety Committee does not consistently meet quarterly; Administration is not always represented. As we have mentioned to you during your inspection in September, the reason Administration was not present for at least the last meeting was because there was a change in Administration around the month of May, 1990.

Action: I will definitely enforce the Radiation Safety Committee to meet on a quarterly basis and also make sure that Administration or a representative from Administration and also from Nursing to be present at those meetings.

To have a quorum at these meetings, we should have at least the Radiation Safety Officer and the Administration representative: is acknowledged.

Sincerely,



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