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Dear Mr. Kammerer:

The following is in response to your November 8, 1990, letter regarding specific comments and recommendations following our program review by Ms. B. J. Holt during the week of July 15, 1990. The responses are in the order in which they appear on pages 2 - 6 of the Summary of The Assessments and Comments attachment to your letter.

1. Administrative Procedures (Category II indicator)

Due to the continued inadequate staffing level and additional duties and responsibilities, no progress has been made in this area, even though it is high priority.

2. Office Equipment and Support Services (Category II)

In November, 1990, the RAM program secretary was promoted to a higher position. Therefore, a new employee had to learn the procedures for production of licenses, inspection reports, and other documents. We plan to train the employee to develop better tracking systems when time permits. The employee is currently not officially assigned to the RAM program secretarial position and must provide a variety of services to other programs in addition to RAM.

3. Staffing Level (Category II)

No change in technical staffing level will occur prior to July 1, 1991. We have requested an additional staff person as a part of our next fiscal year (July 1, 1991 to June 30, 1992).

4. Staff Supervision (Category II)

John A. Eure now takes a representative sample of completed licensing actions and reviews/comments.

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5. Technical Quality of Licensing Actions (Category I)

Actions on licenses cited are as follows:

Lic No. 0008-2-77-PMM, Amendment 1: Currently in progress - changing scope of pacemaker license to performance of follow-up on patients and to receive and dispose of pacemakers, from one that authorized implantation.

Lic No. 0034-2-82-M1: Has been terminated.

Lic No. 0180-1-97-PG: Letter sent to licensee on January 11, 1991, requesting reevaluation of gauge storage location. No response yet.

Lic No. 0014-1-85-SNM2, Amendment 1: License amended to add appropriate letters to tie-down condition, October 19, 1990.

Lic No. 0037-2-52-I3: License amended on October 24, 1990, to add letter dated April 30, 1984, (with attachments) back to tie-down condition so that requirements of 10 CFR 20.203(c)(6)(i-viii) are met.

To help preclude further problems in this area, John A. Eure, Assistant to the Director of Disease Prevention, now spot-checks licensing actions on a two week to monthly basis. His input and actions taken will be retained for purposes of review.

6. Licensing Procedures (Category II)

We have one licensing notebook completed and will develop more when time permits.

No additional progress yet on licensing procedures.

7. Enforcement Procedures (Category I)

Beginning work on writing enforcement procedures.

8. Inspection Procedures (Category II)

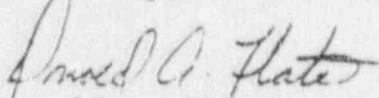
No progress.

9. Inspection Reports (Category II)

RAM Program supervisor counseled principal license inspector on extraneous remarks on reports and has noticed improvement.

Much of the work to correct the indicators is yet to be done. As you might well expect, your review in itself did not solve our staffing level problem, but only served to point it out vividly. We are still under the same manpower constraints that have led to the problems. RAM supervisor is working considerable additional hours in an effort to help resolve problems. Hopefully, the potential additional employee in July will help.

Sincerely,



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