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> DAN L. REX Administrator

Mr. Thomas T. Martin, Director Material Licensing Branch, Division of Fuel Cycle and Material Safety REGION 1 U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission 631 Park Avenue King of Prussia, PA. 19406

Re: Response to Notice of Violation, Inspection No. 82-01 License No. 29-03438-01 Docket No. 30-02473

Dear Mr. Martin:

In response to your letter and Notice of Violation dated October 5, 1982, the following information is submitted.

- With respect to 10CFR 20,207 (a) and (b), please be advised that a new lock has been installed on the entry door to the Nuclear Medicine Hot Lab, which automatically locks the door when it is closed. The door will remain closed and locked at all times when the Hot Lab is not occupied.
- B. Condition 17
 - 1. Item 15: On September 2, 1982, the Nuclear Medicine personnel instituted a policy of hand monitoring for contamination subsequent to handling isotopes. Instruction has been given, and careful attention will be paid to insure that gloves are worn by personnel at all times when radioactive material is being handled. (An amendment requesting hand monitoring to be conducted at the end of each work day, or when contamination is suspect, is being forwarded to the NRC under separate cover.)
 - 2. Item 24.b. The technologist in question did properly return her ring badge for evaluation for the months of September 1, 1981, through February 28, 1982, and for the month of July, 1982 (refer to enclosed film badge reports). There is no record of this individual's ring badge being returned for the months of April, May and June, 1982. Effective September 2, 1982, the technologist will wear and exchange her ring badge in a proper

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manner. The Radiation Safety Officer and health physics consultant will review these procedures on a monthly basis to insure VINELAND, NEW JERSEY 08360 compliance.

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In addition, please be advised of the following:

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Our plans to reduce the radiation levels in the lavatory adjacent to the Hot Lab has been discussed at our quarterly Radiation Safety Committee meeting and appropriate corrective measures have been executed. (1/8" lead panelling has been added to wall between Hot Lab and lavatory.)

An amendment request to our NRC license is forthcoming and will include, in addition to other items, a request that Dr. Ramaa Athreya be added as an additional authorized user to the license.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely.

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Dan Rex, FACHA President

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Enclosures: In duplicate

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