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St. Mary Medical Centers
ATTN: Mr. Milton Triana
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License No.: 13-034569-03
Docket No.: 030-01615
Docket No.: 030-31379
EA 90-071

Gentlemen:

We have completed a preliminary review of the independent audit report of brachytherapy activities at St. Mary Medical Centers submitted on December 14, 1990. We have scheduled an inspection of St. Mary Medical Center in Hobart, Indiana on February 7, 1991, for the purpose of evaluating the results of that independent audit. The inspection team will be led by me and will include Mr. James Mullauer from Region III, and Ms. Janet Schleuter and Mr. Gene Holler from NRC Headquarters. We hope to accomplish two objectives on our visit to St. Mary Medical Center:

- o To examine the records of the three cases identified as apparent misadministrations in NRC Inspection Reports No. 030-31379/90001(DRSS); 030-01615/90001(DRSS) to ensure we understand the basis for the audit team's conclusion that no misadministrations occurred.
- o To examine the records on several additional cases to assure a full understanding of the audit team's conclusions.

I have enclosed a listing of the cases we intend to examine during this inspection. We would appreciate all records regarding these cases be made available on the morning of February 7, 1991, at St. Mary Medical Center - Gary. We also appreciate your efforts to ensure the availability of your staff and Dr. Sarma to respond to any questions we may have during our visit. We plan on contacting the auditors prior to the site visit and discussing with them their audit findings and the focus of this inspection. If any questions arise during the course of the inspection which cannot be resolved onsite, we will contact the auditors after the site visit.

In addition to those cases, there was one treatment on August 10, 1987, we reviewed that did not appear in the audit report. We plan to review this matter during the visit to St. Mary Medical Center.

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If you have any questions regarding our planned site visit, please contact me at (708) 790-5612. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

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Nuclear Materials Safety Branch

Enclosure: As stated

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Brachytherapy Cases to be Reviewed
on
February 7, 1991

December 5, 1988
August 2, 1989
December 11, 1989
September 3, 1986
July 22, 1987
August 5, 1987
December 1, 1989
December 18, 1989