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"REPLY TO A NOTICE OF VIOLATION"

License No. 21-13583-01  
Docket No. 030-29444  
Hope College  
Holland, MI 49423

Dear Dr. Grobe:

I am writing in response to your letter of March 28, 1994 in which you indicated that we were in violation of NRC requirements as specified in a Notice detailing an inspection of February 17, 1994 by Mr. Donald J. Sreniawski of your office.

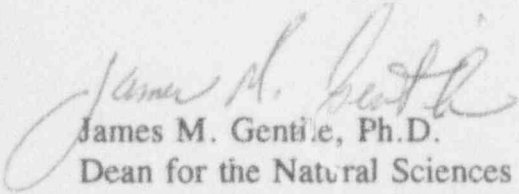
With this letter I provide you with a formal response relative to the specific violations that you cited. As per your request responses are provided for License Condition No. 16 (Violation #1) and License Condition No. 15 (Violation #3).

I hope these responses are appropriate in addressing these violations.

We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning our response.

Sincerely,

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### Violation 1.

Failure of RSO to conduct monthly surveys. During the time when the RSO did not conduct surveys in biology, the biology department either did not possess any isotopes, or the approved users were conducting their routine surveys after each use. The area was thus being monitored. However, we now understand the importance of having one designated individual (the RSO) perform these tests on a routine basis. Therefore, the RSO has begun, and will continue to perform, monthly inspections of the isotope room. The inspections by the RSO have been reinstated as of this letter, so full compliance is now achieved.

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Violation 3.

Failure to provide records regarding decommissioning. The requirements regarding decommissioning were incorrectly understood. The RSO interpreted them as being inapplicable to the low levels of radioactivity used at our facility. We now have on file (as of 24 February 1994) a statement indicating that no spills have occurred in the past year, and we will continue to provide an annual statement of spills, or the lack thereof, and the manner in which they were handled. Full compliance has been achieved.