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EA No. 94-103

License No. 06-06697-02

Stamford Hospital
ATTN: Andrew H. Banoff
Vice President, Ambulatory Services
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Stamford, Connecticut 06904

Dear Mr. Banoff:

SUBJECT: SPECIAL INSPECTION NO. 030-01265/94-001

On May 23 and 24, 1994, Mr. Ihor Czerwinskyj of this office conducted a special safety inspection at the above address of activities authorized by the above listed NRC license. The inspection was an examination of your licensed activities as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Commission's regulations and the license conditions. Specifically, Mr. Czerwinskyj reviewed the circumstances regarding the May 16, 1994 misadministration at Stamford Hospital. The inspection consisted of observations by the inspector, interviews with personnel, and a selective examination of representative records. This also refers to additional information provided by Mr. Peter Karl of your staff in his June 1, 1994 and June 6, 1994 facsimile transmissions. The findings of the inspection were discussed with Mr. Peter Karl of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

A copy of the NRC inspection report is enclosed.

As discussed during the telephone conversation between Mr. Karl and Dr. Ronald Bellamy of my staff on June 14, 1994, the apparent violations identified during this inspection will be the subject of an enforcement conference to be held in Region I. The enforcement conference will begin at 10:00 a.m. on June 24, 1994. The purpose of this conference is to discuss the apparent violations, their cause(s) and safety significance; provide you the opportunity to present your corrective actions accomplished and proposed; and to discuss any other information that will help us to determine the appropriate enforcement action. In particular, you should be prepared to discuss the causes(s) of the misadministration which occurred on May 16, 1994, and the corrective actions you have undertaken to prevent a similar occurrence including revisions and improvements in your Quality Management Program related to the use of iodine 131. Enforcement action for the violations will be considered by the NRC following the conference. The NRC Enforcement Policy is described in Appendix C, 10 CFR Part 2, a copy of which is enclosed for your information. Directions to the NRC Region I office are also enclosed.

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In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice, Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosed report will be placed in the Public Document Room.

No reply to this letter is required.

Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,

 Original Signed By:
Charles W. Hehl

Charles W. Hehl, Director
Director of Radiation Safety
and Safeguards

Enclosures:

1. NRC Region I Inspection Report No. 030-01265/94-001
2. 10 CFR Part 2
3. Directions to the Region I Office

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