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Department of Health and Human Services
National Institutes of Health
ATTN: R. J. Augustine, Ph.D.
Radiation Safety Officer
Bethesda, Maryland 20205

Gentlemen:

Subject: Shipment of AECL Gamma Cell 40

This refers to your letter dated March 15, 1983. Thank you for informing us of the shipment on February 25, 1983, of an AECL Gamma Cell 40 irradiator from NIH, Bethesda, Maryland, to the NIH Frederick Cancer Research Center in Frederick, Maryland. You explained that even though this irradiator was packaged in accordance with applicable regulations, the package was of foreign manufacture and had not received appropriate approval for shipments of radioactive material within the United States. This shipment may represent a violation of the conditions of your license and/or NRC and DOT regulations. You are advised that for such shipments in the future you should obtain an exemption from this requirement by application to both the Department of Transportation and the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission. We will review this matter during the next inspection of your licensed activities.

Your cooperation with us in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

~~Original Signed by:~~

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