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Scorpio Music Distributors, Inc.
ATTN: Mr. Michael Adler
President
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Dear Mr. Adler:

This refers to your letter dated July 20, 1978, to Joseph M. Hendrie, Chairman, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission. In this letter, you concluded that a general disregard for good radiological safety practices existed at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, an NRC licensed facility. In addition, you questioned the quality of medical practice at this institution.

This office conducted a special, unannounced inspection on November 9 and 14, 1978, in response to your concerns. This inspection was an examination of the activities conducted under the institution's license as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations. The inspection also reviewed the concerns documented in your letter. The inspection consisted of examinations of procedures and records, interviews with personnel, and observations and measurements by our inspector. An evaluation of the level of medical competence and practice was not made as this does not fall within the Commission's authority or field of competence.

During this inspection, and during previous inspections, there was no indication that individuals have received excessive radiation exposure or that a significant threat to the health and safety of employees existed, either now or at the time of your letter. The inspector did identify two items of noncompliance relating to the failure of licensee employees to follow all written safety procedures. These items were identified to the licensee who has taken action to correct them. Enclosed is a copy of our correspondence to the licensee following the inspection.

We appreciate your concern in this matter and assure you that this office will continue to make unannounced inspections of this licensee's, and other licensee's, radiological protection programs. In cases where there are serious items of noncompliance or are numerous or uncorrected items of noncompliance, enforcement actions available to the NRC include levying civil monetary penalties, suspending licenses, modifying licenses, or revoking licenses.

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If you have any further questions regarding this matter, do not hesitate to contact this office.

Sincerely,

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Director

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