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Docket Nos. 030-01314 030-00123 License Nos. 08-00942-05 08-00942-04

Veterans Administration Medical Center ATTN: R. Shalhoub, M.D. Acting Chief of Staff 50 Irving Street, North West Washington, District of Columbia 20422

Dear Dr. Shalhoub:

Subject: Routine Inspection Nos. 030-01314/92-001 and 030-00123/92-001

On September 15 and 16, 1992, Dr. Sattar Lodhi of this office conducted a routine 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. The inspection consisted of observations by the inspector, interviews with personnel, and a selective examination of representative records. The findings of the inspection were discussed with Mr. Paul Yurko and other members of your staff, at the conclusion of the inspection.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that one of your activities was not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements. A Notice of Violation is enclosed as Appendix A and categorizes the violation by severity level in accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C (Enforcement Policy). You are required to respond to this letter and in preparing your response, you should follow the instructions in Appendix A.

Please use the enclosed self-addressed green envelope when you respond to this letter to assist us in the timely processing of your response.

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 your reply will be placed in the Public Document Room.

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The responses directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By: Mohamed M. Shanbaky

Mohamed M. Shanbaky, Chief Medical Inspection Section Division of Radiation Safety and Safeguards

Enclosure: Appendix A, Notice of Violation

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