April 15, 1998

Dag Hammarskjold Cancer Treatment Center ATTN: V. Sahadevan, M.D. 205 Dry Hill Road Beckley, West Virginia 25801

SUBJECT:

TERMINATION OF LICENSE NO. 47-24832-01 and COMPLIANCE WITH THE RULE "TIMELINESS IN THE DECOMMISSIONING OF MATERIAL FACILITIES"

Dear Dr. Sahadevan:

This refers to your letters dated April 23, 1996 and November 5, 1997, requesting termination of your NRC license.

In response to your request, an inspection and "closeout survey" was conducted at your facility by NRC staff on December 16, 1997. At that time, you were informed that in order for NRC to terminate your license, it would be necessary for you to (1) provide a written statement to NRC explaining the use or lack of use of the isotopes listed on your license for the purpose of conducting research, (2) properly dispose of or transfer to an authorized recipient, your cesium-137 source (nominal activity of 206.8 microcuries, 1991) and (3) provide NRC with a completed NRC Form 314 "Certificate of Disposition of Materials." Completion of these steps is necessary to properly "decommission" your facility in support of your license termination request.

Since the time of the inspection, we have spoken to you on several occasions, by telephone, for the purpose of determining the status of your licensed material. To date you have been unable to verify to NRC that you have taken the necessary steps for NRC to terminate your license.

In accordance with 10 CFR 30.36(h), you are required to complete the decommissioning of your facility as soon as practicable but no later than 24 months following the initiation of such decommissioning. The 24 months time limit will expire April 30, 1998, based upon your notification dated April 23, 1996.

Therefore, you should be aware that if decommissioning of your facility, and termination of your license is not completed by April 30, 1998, you may be in violation of NRC regulatory requirements and subject to enforcement action by NRC in accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedures for Enforcement Actions," (Enforcement Policy), NUREG - 1600, published June 30, 1995.

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If there are any questions, please contact Mr. Michael Fuller at (404) 562-4714 or me at (404) 562-4731.

Sincerely,

original signed by Mark Lesser

Mark S. Lesser, Chief Materials Licensing/Inspection Branch 2 Division of Nuclear Materials Safety

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