

September 14, 2005

Mr. John Madera
Section Chief
Nuclear Materials License Branch
United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region III
801 Warrenville Road
Lisle, IL 60532-4351

Re: *Expansion of retrospective case review NRC License #13-00133-02*

Dear Mr. Madera,

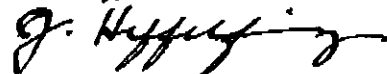
This correspondence is being sent to your attention to confirm that *St. Vincent Hospital* is conducting an expanded retrospective review of High Dose Rate brachytherapy administrations based on the discovery of five past medical events which were reported in summary to the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission (USNRC) Region III Office on Tuesday, September 6, 2005 and, as subsequently directed, to the USNRC Operations Center on Wednesday, September 7, 2005.

Based on the interactions between our respective offices, *St. Vincent Hospital* has initiated an expanded review to include all HDR administrations for the period of March, 2002 through November, 2004 (minus the 160 administrations already reviewed and reported).

To this end, we have identified and initiated review of seventy-three (73) treatment administrations delivered to twenty-nine (29) patients. We will report the results of this review to your office in aggregate on or before Friday, October 7, 2005.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 317/338-6607.

Sincerely,



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NOTES:

Please find attached, the letter requested
by your office. Please contact me
directly if I may be of further assistance
to you.

- J. Heffelfinger 9/14/05

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