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Docket Nos. 030-05222
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License Nos. 29-00139-02
29-00139-03MA
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E.R. Squibb and Sons, Inc.
ATTN: Ernest Gusmano, Ph.D.
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Dear Mr. Gusmano:

Subject: Routine Inspection Nos. 030-05222/92-001, 030-10957/92-001 and 030-10750/92-001.

From October 26 through 28, 1992, Duncan White, James Bondick and Charles Amato of this office conducted a routine safety inspection at your North Brunswick, Lawrenceville, Princeton and Skillman facilities, of activities authorized by the above listed NRC licenses. 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, a selective examination of representative records, and independent measurements by the inspectors. The findings of the inspection were discussed with H. Bauer, J. Gresh, G. Thompson, D. Balkunow and other members of the Health Physics Office, at the conclusion of the inspection.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that your activities were not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements. A Notice of Violation is enclosed as Appendix A and categorizes each 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.

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As a result of discussions between Duncan White of our staff and our staff, we understand that you will; 1) ensure that significant incidents and follow-up action are reviewed and documented by the Radiation Safety Committee; 2) evaluate the replacement of rubber hoses on the sampling line and the installation of a recording device for the stack monitor in Building 124; and 3) exercise your Radiological Contingency Plan and take several actions documented in the enclosed inspection report to support this exercise. Your response should include a schedule for completion each of these items. Please confirm these understandings in your reply to this letter.

Please use the enclosed self-addressed green envelope when you respond to this letter to assist you 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. 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:

Francis Costello, Chief
Industrial Applications Section
Division of Radiation Safety
and Safeguards

Enclosures:

Appendix A, Notice of Violation
Combined NRC Region I Inspection Report Nos. 030-05222/92-001,
030-10957/92-001 and 030-10750/92-001.

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