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Docket No. 030-01300

License No. 06-13905-01

Griffin Hospital  
ATTN: Barbara Mount  
Associate Administrator  
130 Division Street  
Derby, Connecticut 06418

Gentlemen:

Subject: Inspection Report No. 030-01300/85-01

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Judith A Joustra and Lester Tripp of this office on April 11, 1985 of activities authorized by NRC License No. 06-13905-01 and to the discussions of our findings held by Judith Joustra with yourself at the conclusion of the inspection.

The inspection was an examination of activities conducted under your license as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and the conditions of your license. The inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, measurements made by the inspector, and observations by the inspector

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that certain of your activities were not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements, as set forth in the Notice of Violation, enclosed herewith as Appendix A. These violations have been categorized by severity level in accordance with the revised NRC Enforcement Policy (10 CFR 2, Appendix C) published in the Federal Register Notice (49 FR 2583) dated March 8, 1984. You are required to respond to this letter and in preparing your response, you should follow the instructions in Appendix A.

Item 3 in the Notice of Violation enclosed with this letter was identified during a previous inspection of your licensed activities on March 23, 1983 and was documented in the enclosure to our letter dated May 13, 1983. Your letter to this office dated June 7, 1983 stated survey procedure of elution, preparation, and injection areas were reviewed with the nuclear medicine technologist by the consultant. Techniques of low-level monitoring, and the results of the monitoring were also part of consultant's monthly audit.

From our April 10, 1985, inspection it appears that the stated corrective actions were not effective since this item has not been fully corrected. An evaluation of circumstances surrounding the area of contamination was made. It appears that this contamination may have occurred after the survey was performed that morning.

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Miss Joustra of our office performed a comparison test with your department survey meter and a meter issued to her by our office. The comparison test demonstrated a very slow response time for your survey meter. This type of response time would make it very difficult to locate areas of low level contamination.

It appears from our inspection on April 11, 1985, that your low-level survey meter is not capable of performing adequate surveys. Please address this matter in 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 in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:  
John E. Glenn

John E. Glenn, Chief  
Nuclear Materials Safety Section B,  
Division of Radiation Safety  
and Safeguards

Enclosure:  
Appendix A, Notice of Violation

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