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Lawrence County Medical Center
ATTN: Terry Vanderhoof
Administrator
2228 South 9th Street
Ironton, OH 45638

License No. 34-16241-01
Docket No. 030-10838
EA No. 93-020

Dear Mr. Vanderhoof:

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 030-10838/92001(DRSS)

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by T. F. Young of this office on October 1, 1992. The inspection included a review of activities authorized by NRC Byproduct Material License No. 34-16241-01. At the conclusion of the inspection on October 1, 1992, the preliminary inspection findings were discussed with Dr. Yalamanchili of your staff. On January 28, 1993, the inspection findings were also discussed between Sherri Davidson of your staff and Mr. Roy Caniano of my staff.

Areas examined during the inspection are identified in the report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, observation of activities in progress, and independent measurements.

Based on the results of this inspection, 12 apparent violations were identified and are being considered for escalated enforcement action in accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions" (Enforcement Policy), 10 CFR 2, Appendix C. The apparent violations are indicative of a lack of management oversight and control over your NRC-licensed program. Accordingly, no Notice of Violation is presently being issued for these inspection findings. In addition, please be advised that the number and characterization of apparent violations described in the enclosed inspection report may change as a result of further NRC review.

An enforcement conference to discuss these apparent violations has been scheduled for February 19, 1993, at 10:00 a.m. (C.S.T.). The purposes of this conference are to discuss the apparent violations, their root causes and safety significance; to provide you the opportunity to point out any errors in our inspection report; and to provide an opportunity for you to present your proposed corrective actions; and to discuss any other information that will help us determine the appropriate enforcement action in accordance with the Enforcement Policy. In particular, we expect you to address our concerns regarding the apparent lack of management control and oversight, and lack of Radiation Safety Committee and Radiation Safety Officer involvement with NRC-licensed activities. You will be advised by separate correspondence of the results of our deliberations on this matter. No response regarding these apparent violations is required at this time.

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In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice", a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by C.E. Norelius

Charles E. Norelius, Director
Division of Radiation Safety
and Safeguards

Enclosure: Inspection Report
No. 030-10838/92001(DRSS)

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Yes

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