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US Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Region III  
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RE: By-Product Material License #48-02411-01  
Mercy Hospital  
Janesville, WI

Dear Mr. Wiedeman:

We are in receipt of your letter dated August 14, 1996 and submit the following information per your request. We have revised our policies and procedures with relation to performance of bioassay procedures on individuals involved with administering dosages of I-131 to hospitalized patients. The policies and procedures have been revised to include that bioassay procedures be performed on individuals preparing or administering radioiodine-131 to hospitalized patients within 12-72 hours after administration of the material.

Results of the bioassay testing will be documented as required. This will be available for review at future inspections. It should be noted that this has been implemented as of this date.

We would like to thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Should you have any questions or require additional information, please feel free to contact us at your convenience.

Very truly yours,

Thomas R. Hansen, M.D.  
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