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J. J. Phillips, Director
Omaha Veterans Administration
Medical Center
4101 Woolworth Avenue
Omaha, Nebraska 68105

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT 50-131/96-01 AND NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Dear Mr. Phillips:

An NRC inspection was conducted August 26-29, 1996, at your TRIGA Mark I reactor facility. The enclosed report presents the scope and results of that inspection.

In general, the reactor program was operated safely and properly. The reactor operator was knowledgeable and surveillance testing was performed as required. However, we noted that written procedures had not been established for some surveillance testing, as required by your technical specifications.

Based on the results of this inspection, the NRC has determined that a violation of NRC requirements occurred. This violation is cited in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice) and the circumstances surrounding the violation are described in detail in the enclosed report. Please note that you are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. The NRC will use your response, in part, to determine whether further enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter, its enclosure(s), and your response will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR). To the extent possible, your response should not include any personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information so that it can be placed in the PDR without redaction.

Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

Kenneth E. Brockman, Acting Director
Division of Reactor Safety

Omaha Veterans Administration
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Enclosures:

1. Notice of Violation
2. NRC Inspection Report
50-131/96-01

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