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November 5, 1996

George James
Chief Executive Officer
Jackson County Schneck
Memorial Hospital
411 West Tipton
Seymour, IN 47274

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION AND NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Dear Mr. James:

This refers to the inspection conducted on September 24, 1996, at Jackson County Memorial Hospital. The purpose of the inspection was to determine whether activities authorized by the license were conducted safely and in accordance with NRC requirements. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings, including an apparent violation of NRC regulations, were discussed with you and members of your staff. The NRC management has reviewed the findings of this inspection and have concluded that a response to the violation is required.

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 with the conditions of your license. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, independent measurements and observation of activities in progress.

Based on the results of this inspection, the NRC determined that a violation of NRC requirements occurred.

At the conclusion of the inspection the inspector met with you and other members of your staff to discuss the findings. The inspector presented his findings, including the violation, on a NRC Form 591 and after discussing your proposed corrective actions the form was signed by Richard Stewart, the Radiation Safety Officer, on behalf of the hospital. After further review by NRC, the NRC is rescinding the NRC Form 591 issued on September 24, 1996. These issues were discussed with Mr. Richard Stewart, your Radiation Safety Officer, during a telephone conference on October 29, 1996.

In addition, the NRC is concerned that neither you nor your consultant had reviewed and understood the definition of a written directive in 10 CFR 35.2 prior to conducting the required annual QMP audits. An understanding of this requirement would have assisted you in identifying and correcting the violation. Therefore, in addition to your response to

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The violation is cited in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice). A written response is required.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter, the enclosure, and your response to this letter 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.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by Roy J. Caniano

Cynthia D. Pederson, Director
Division of Nuclear Materials Safety

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