

April 15, 1997

National Hospital Medical Center  
ATTN: Mr. Ronald E. Yates, CEO  
2455 Army Navy Drive  
Arlington, VA 22206

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 45-17123-01/97-01

Dear Mr. Yates:

This refers to the inspection conducted on March 18, 1997, at your Arlington, Virginia facility. The purpose of the inspection was to examine the circumstances associated with the receipt of a contaminated package of radioactive material at your facility on February 27, 1997, from the Syncor Radiopharmaceuticals facility in Silver Springs, Maryland. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with Mr. Edward Carmichael, Director of Laboratory and Radiology Services. The enclosed report presents the results of this inspection.

Areas examined during the inspection are identified in the report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of examinations of records and procedures, observations of package receipt activities, and interviews with personnel. Based on the results of this inspection, no violations were identified.

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.

Should you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact us. us.

Sincerely,

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Division of Nuclear Materials Safety

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
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