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James A. Haley Veterans Hospital
ATTN: Mr. Richard A. Silver, Director
13000 North 30th Street
Tampa, FL 33612

Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: REPORT NO: 09-15294-01/85-01

On August 12-13, 1985, NRC conducted an inspection of activities authorized by NRC License No. 09-15294-01. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with you, Dr. Riggan, Mr. Linder, Dr. Tyson, and Dr. Pettit. The NRC's concerns, relative to the inspection findings were also discussed with you by Mr. J. Philip Stohr, Director, Division of Radiation Safety and Safeguards, in an enforcement conference held in our office on September 26, 1985, and summarized in the enclosed Enforcement Conference Summary (Enclosure 1).

The inspection was an examination of activities conducted under your license with respect to radiation safety and compliance with NRC regulations and the conditions of your license. It included selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and direct observations by the inspector.

The inspection findings indicate that certain activities violated NRC requirements. The violations, references to pertinent requirements, and elements to be included in your response are presented in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Enclosure 2).

In addition to the need for corrective action regarding these specific violations, we are concerned about the implementation of your management control systems that permitted their occurrence. Consequently, in your reply you should describe in particular those actions taken or planned to improve the effectiveness of your management control systems.

The first violation in the enclosed Notice is similar to a violation contained in a Notice of Violation sent to you with our letter dated October 30, 1984. Since "similar violations" as described in the NRC Enforcement Policy are of significant concern to the NRC, in your response, please give particular attention to the identification and remedy of the root cause of the violation so that its recurrence may be precluded.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790(a), a copy of this letter, its enclosures, and your reply will be placed in NRC's Public Document Room upon completion of our evaluation of the reply. If you wish to withhold information contained therein, please notify this office by telephone and include a written application to withhold information in your response. Such application must be consistent with the requirements of 2.790(b)(1).

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The responses directed by this letter and the enclosures are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget issued under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

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

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY
JOHN A. OLSHINSKI

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Regional Administrator

Enclosures:

1. Enforcement Conference
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2. Notice of Violation

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ENCLOSURE 1

ENFORCEMENT CONFERENCE SUMMARY

James A. Haley Veterans Hospital
Tampa, Florida

Docket No. 030-08879
License No. 09-15294-01

On September 26, 1985, Mr. Richard Silver and Dr. Ian Tyson from James A. Haley Veterans Hospital met with representatives of NRC's Region II Office in Atlanta, Georgia, to discuss the results of the inspection performed on August 12 and 13, 1985, the proposed corrective actions, and the NRC Enforcement Policy. Although some corrective actions have been initiated, the NRC staff emphasized concern about the implementation of management control systems which permitted the violations to occur and requested this area to be addressed in replying to the violations. The NRC staff also expressed concern about the authority of the licensee's Radiation Safety Committee and its ability to autonomously approve or disapprove proposed research uses involving licensed material.

The licensee representatives stated that corrective action was being taken or had been taken for all apparent violations and that their intentions were to have the the Radiation Safety Committee function as was expected according to existing commitments and guidance.