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License No. 04-09450-02

Veterans Administration Medical Center
4051 Arroyo Road
Livermore, California 94550

Attention: Mr. Marvin E. O'Rear
Medical Center Director

Gentlemen:

Subject: NRC Inspection

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Mr. J. F. Pang of this office on October 21-22, 1985 of activities authorized by NRC License No. 04-09450-02 and to the discussion of our findings held by Mr. Pang with you and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

The inspection was an examination of the activities conducted under your license as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and the conditions of your license. The inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspector.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that certain of your activities were not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements, as set forth in the Notice of Violation enclosed as Appendix A to this letter. These items have been categorized into severity levels as described in the NRC Enforcement Policy, 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C.

The findings from this inspection, as well as the one conducted during December 1-2, 1982 indicates two repetitive violations (see Appendix A, Item B and Item C-1).

We are concerned about the repetitive nature of the violation observed during our inspections. In addition to the need for corrective action regarding the specific violations included in Appendix A, we are concerned about the implementation of your management control system that allowed these repetitive violations to occur. Consequently, in your reply you should describe in particular those actions taken or planned to improve the effectiveness of your overall management control system.

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Your response to this Notice is to be submitted in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201 as stated in Appendix A, Notice of Violation.

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

If you have any questions on this matter or concerning this inspection, please telephone Mr. Pang on 415-943-3700.

Sincerely,

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Ross A. Scarano, Director
Division of Radiation Safety and
Safeguards

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Notice of Violation

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