



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
REGION I
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Docket Nos. 30-01245
40-08061
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St. Vincent's Hospital
ATTN: William J. Riordan
President
2800 Main Street
Bridgeport, Connecticut 06606

Gentlemen:

Subject: Inspection SUC-1237 and 78-01

This refers to the inspection conducted by Dr. L. Friedman of this office on August 23, 1978 of activities authorized by NRC License Nos. 06-00843-03, SUB-1053 and SUC 1237 and to the discussions of our findings held by Dr. Friedman with yourself and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

The inspection was an examination of activities conducted under your licenses as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and the conditions of your licenses. The inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, measurements made by the inspector, 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 herewith as Appendix A. These items of noncompliance have been categorized into the levels as described in our correspondence to you dated December 31, 1974. This notice is sent to you pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.201 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. Section 2.201 requires you to submit to this office, within twenty (20) days of your receipt of this notice, a written statement or explanation in reply including: (1) corrective steps which have been taken by you and the results achieved; (2) corrective steps which will be taken to avoid further items of noncompliance; and (3) the date when full compliance will be achieved.

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From the discussion of our findings at the conclusion of the inspection, it is our understanding that you plan to revise your package-opening procedures to conform to Appendix F of NUREG-0338, Revision 1. You are advised that new procedures should be submitted to the NRC's Radioisotope Licensing Branch, Division of Fuel Cycle and Materials Safety, Washington, D.C. 20555, with a request to amend your license to include them. We will review this matter during the next inspection of your licensed program.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and your reply will be placed in the Public Document Room.

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

Sincerely,



Robert O. McClintock, Chief
Materials Radiological Protection
Section

Enclosure: Appendix A, Notice of Violation