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United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission Region III, Materials Licensing Section 2443 Warrenville Road Lisle, IL 60532-4352

Attention: Tamara E. Bloomer

Materials Inspection Branch 1

Re: Notice of Violoation

NRC License #: 21-20313-01

Docket #: 030-18237

Dear Ms. Bloomer:

Following the NRC inspection at Edward W. Sparrow Hospital and the subsequent Notice of Violation dated December 16, 2011, we have instituted the following changes and corrective actions for the apparent NRC violations noted. Please review these changes and identify any other corrective actions that might help rectify any problems.

Preface: Thoracic & Cardiovascular Institute (TCI) was purchased by Edward W. Sparrow Hospital Association on January 1, 2010. TCI Executive Mangement David Kruger (CEO) and the Radiation Safety Officer Daryl Melvin were not aware of the requirement to notify the NRC prior to the transfer of the license.

Greg Stiles, CNMT (Supervising Technologist) was made aware of this requirement during a Radiation Safety Committee meeting at Edward W. Sparrow Hospital on November 1st 2010. Also in attendance at the meeting was Dawn Edwards of Medical Physicis Consultants. Ms. Edwards assumed resposibility for generating the amendment document for submission to the NRC. The amendment information was forwarded to Mr Stiles in an email on November 9, 2010. Mr Stiles then began the process of having the document transferred to facility letterhead. He then forwarded the document to David Kruger and Joe Ruth for their signatures with instructions for mailing. The document was lost somewhere in transport.

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NRC VIOLATIONS

1. 10 CFR 30.34 (b) states, in part, that no license issue or granted pursuant to the regulations of in this Part and Parts 31 through 36, and 39 nor any right under a license shall be transferred, assigned or in any manner disposed of, either voluntarily or involuntarily, directly or indirectly, through transfer of control of any license to any person, unless the commission shall, after securing full information, find that the transfer is in accordance with the provions of the act and shall give its consent in writing.

Contrary to the above, on January 1, 2010 Thoracic & Cardiovascular Institute, holder of NRC license # 21-20313-01 transferred control of the license to Edward W Sparrow Hospital association without prior written consent from the commission.

(a) - Reason for the Violation:

At the time of the sale, executive management at TCl was not aware of the requirement to notify the NRC of the change in ownership. Additionally, the change of ownership amendment was not submitted to the NRC because the document was lost during transfer in the hospital.

(b) - Corrective steps that have been taken and the results achieved:

The change of ownership amendment has been forwarded to the NRC on November 7th, 2011.

(c) - Corrective steps that will be taken to avoid further violations:

Any future changes in ownership of our NRC license will be preapproved by the NRC. The Radiation Safety Officer and Nuclear Medicine personnel will be made aware of possible ownership changes before they happen.

Additionally all NRC correspondence will be forwarded to the Nuclear Medicine Supervisor for filing. This file will then be reviewed quarterly by our consulting physicist. During this review if there does not appear to be documentation that the NRC has received the amendment, the Radiation Safety Officer will be notified immediately.

(d) - The date when full compliance will be achieved:

Upon receipt of the amendment from NRC region III. The amendment letter was mailed on November 7th, 2011.

If you have any questions, or suggestions please contact me at (517) 483-7569.

Sincerely,

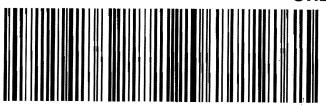
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