



**UNITED STATES
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May 25, 2006

E. Lynn McGuire, Director
National Health Physics Program (115HP/NLR)
Department of Veterans Affairs
Veterans Health Administration
2200 Fort Roots Drive
Little Rock, AR 72114

**SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT (IR 030-34325/06-008 (DNMS)) DEPARTMENT
OF VETERANS AFFAIRS MEDICAL CENTER, DAYTON, OHIO**

Dear Mr. McGuire:

This refers to the inspection conducted on May 8, 2006, at the Department of Veterans Affairs, Medical Center, Dayton, Ohio. The inspection was limited to a review of activities authorized under Permit No. 34-05015-01. The inspector conducted an exit briefing with the staff at the Medical Center at the completion of the inspection.

Within the program areas reviewed during this inspection, the inspector did not identify any violations of NRC requirements. Therefore, you are not required to respond to this letter.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be available electronically in the NRC Public Document Room or from the Publicly Available Records (PARS) component of NRC's document system (ADAMS). The NRC's document system is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patricia J. Pelke".

Patricia J. Pelke, Chief
Materials Licensing Branch

Docket No. 030-34325
License No. 03-23853-01VA
Permit No. 34-05015-01

Enclosure: NRC Form 591M

SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT AND COMPLIANCE INSPECTION

1. LICENSEE/LOCATION INSPECTED: Veterans Affairs Medical Center Dayton, Ohio		2. NRC/REGIONAL OFFICE REGION III US NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION 2443 WARRENVILLE ROAD, SUITE 210 LISLE, ILLINOIS 60532	
REPORT	2006-008		
3. DOCKET NUMBER(S) 030-34325	4. LICENSEE NUMBER(S) 03-23853-01VA	5. DATE(S) OF INSPECTION May 8, 2006	

LICENSEE:

The inspection was an examination of the activities conducted under your license as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) 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. The inspection findings are as follows:

1. Based on the inspection findings, no violations were identified.

2. Previous violation(s) closed.

3. The violation(s), specifically described to you by the inspector as non-cited violations, are not being cited because they were self-identified, non-repetitive, and corrective action was or is being taken, and the remaining criteria in the NRC Enforcement Policy, NUREG-1600, to exercise discretion, were satisfied.

_____ Non-Cited Violation(s) was/were discussed involving the following requirement(s) and Corrective Action(s):

4. During this inspection certain of your activities, as described below and/or attached, were in violation of NRC requirements and are being cited. This form is a NOTICE OF VIOLATION, which may be subject to posting in accordance with 10 CFR 19.11.

(Violations and Corrective Actions)

Licensee's Statement of Corrective Actions for Item 4, above.

I hereby state that, within 30 days, the actions described by me to the inspector will be taken to correct the violations identified. This statement of corrective actions is made in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 2.201 (corrective steps already taken, corrective steps which will be taken, date when full compliance will be achieved). I understand that no further written response to NRC will be required, unless specifically requested.

Title	Printed Name	Signature	Date
LICENSEE'S REPRESENTATIVE			
NRC INSPECTOR	George Parker		5/19/06

Docket File Information
**SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT
AND COMPLIANCE INSPECTION**

1. LICENSEE Department of Veterans Affairs REPORT NUMBER(S) 2006-008		2. NRC/REGIONAL OFFICE Region III 2443 Warrenville Road Lisle, IL 60532	
3. DOCKET NUMBER(S) 030-34325	4. LICENSE NUMBER(S) 03-23853-01VA	5. DATE(S) OF INSPECTION May 8, 2006	
6. INSPECTION PROCEDURES USED 87119	7. INSPECTION FOCUS AREAS 03.01-03.07		

SUPPLEMENTAL INSPECTION INFORMATION

1. PROGRAM CODE(S) 2120	2. PRIORITY 5	3. LICENSEE CONTACT Rodney Reeder	4. TELEPHONE NUMBER 937/268-6511 ext 2683
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Main Office Inspection Next Inspection Date: 5/2011
 Field Office _____
 Temporary Job Site _____

PROGRAM SCOPE

Permittee is the Veterans Administration Hospital located in Dayton, Ohio. This permittee uses primarily Tc-99m for a variety of applications.

The permittee has a large nuclear medicine program conducting routine diagnostic, imaging, and therapy procedures. The permittee has not conducted human research since the previous inspection.

Performance Observations

The inspector interviewed authorized users and workers encountered. Each appeared knowledgeable in radiation safety and isotope handling techniques. Package receipt procedures were demonstrated for the inspector as well as rad waste handling practices. Independent surveys by the inspector did not detect any abnormal reading and were within the expected range.

The inspector observed the nuclear medicine staff perform injections of radiopharmaceuticals. Techniques employed by the staff demonstrated good handling practices as well as adequate knowledge of radiation safety. During the course of the inspection, no abnormalities were noted.

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5/24/06