

**SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT AND COMPLIANCE INSPECTION**

1. LICENSEE/LOCATION INSPECTED: Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center Columbia, South Carolina  REPORT                      2006002	2. NRC/REGIONAL OFFICE  REGION III US NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION 2443 WARRENVILLE ROAD, SUITE 210 LISLE, ILLINOIS 60532
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3. DOCKET NUMBER(S) 03034325	4. LICENSEE NUMBER(S) 03-23853-01VA	5. DATE(S) OF INSPECTION September 6, 2006
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**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	<b>Héctor Bermúdez</b>		<b>9/27/2006</b>

**Docket File Information**  
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6. INSPECTION PROCEDURES USED 87131	7. INSPECTION FOCUS AREAS All		

**SUPPLEMENTAL INSPECTION INFORMATION**

1. PROGRAM CODE(S) 2120	2. PRIORITY N/A	3. LICENSEE CONTACT Nigel Burkhardt	4. TELEPHONE NUMBER 803-776-4000, X-7492
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Main Office Inspection      Next Inspection Date: N/A

Field Office \_\_\_\_\_

Temporary Job Site \_\_\_\_\_

**PROGRAM SCOPE**

The permittee is allowed to perform diagnostic and therapeutic nuclear medicine and research with unsealed materials. No research with unsealed materials has taken place in approximately 1.5 years. There is no inventory of unsealed research material on site. There is no research with human research subjects. The nuclear medicine department had three technologists plus one contractor, three cameras and performed approximately 13 studies per day. They only use unit doses from a radiopharmacy, no use of xenon. They perform approximately one procedure per month that requires a written directive. There have been no in-patient therapies in approximately four years. Quadramet has been used twice this year (on the same patient). The licensee maintains an active RSC.