

SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT AND COMPLIANCE INSPECTION

1. LICENSEE/LOCATION INSPECTED: Battelle Memorial Institute Mail Stop JS 22 505 King Avenue Columbus, OH		2. NRC/REGIONAL OFFICE U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Region III 2443 Warrenville Road Suite 210 Lisle, Illinois 60532-4351	
REPORT		070-00008/07-001	
3. DOCKET NUMBER(S) 070-00008	4. LICENSEE NUMBER(S) SNM-00007	5. DATE(S) OF INSPECTION July 6, 2007	

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.

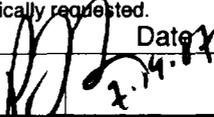
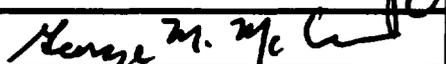
_____ Non-Cited Violation(s) was/were discussed involving the following requirement(s) and Corrective Action(s):

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	Joe Jacobsen RSO		7/14/07
NRC INSPECTOR	George M. McCann		07/19/2007

Docket File Information

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6. INSPECTION PROCEDURES USED 83890/83822/88005/87104/873035/86740		7. INSPECTION FOCUS AREAS 03.01-03.07	
SUPPLEMENTAL INSPECTION INFORMATION			
1. PROGRAM CODE(S) 21325	2. PRIORITY D	3. LICENSEE CONTACT Joe Jacobsen, RSO	4. TELEPHONE NUMBER 614-296-1370
<input type="checkbox"/> Main Office Inspection	Next Inspection Date: _____		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Field Office	Battelle Decommissioning Project, West Jefferson, Ohio		
<input type="checkbox"/> Temporary Job Site	_____		

PROGRAM SCOPE

This was a routine decommissioning inspection. The Battelle Columbus Decommissioning Project (BCLDP) involved the remediation, decontamination and demolition of 3 large buildings, which had been used over a period of approximately 50 years for research with large quantities of radioactive materials. This work was done under the authority of an approved NRC Decommissioning Plan. The licensee completed the decontamination and remediation activities during calendar year 2006. All building excavations have been refilled, graded and seeded. The NRC completed review of the licensee's final status surveys for the site in August 2006, and determined that the site meets the NRC Part 20 limits for unrestricted release. The licensee's license termination is currently under review and is expected to be terminated during calendar year 2007.

NRC inspectors met with the licensee's Radiation Safety Officer (RSO). The RSO indicated that the BCLDP Project Manager had been given another assignment within the Battelle Company and was no longer with the BCLDP Project. The NRC inspectors concluded, based on the site status, that the presence of the BCLDP Director was not an issue. The site is under constant surveillance by a full-time on-site Battelle Security force. The RSO has a Battelle cell phone and the Security Force can reach him at any time.

The NRC inspectors toured the former site and interviewed the RSO. The inspectors did not note any stored material on the site, and did not observe any soil disturbances. Additionally, no radioactive materials have been shipped since 2005. The site is still surrounded by a chain-link fence, and access to the former site is through a security gate. The licensee indicated that its ground-water monitoring wells are still in place, but that they had ceased collecting ground-water samples. The stopping of the water sampling collection was consistent with their license and within the authority of their broad scope license.