

March 3, 2009

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

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT 030-34325/08-09(DNMS) (FORM 591M PART 1)
MEDICAL CENTER, NORTH CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Dear Mr. McGuire:

This refers to the inspection conducted on February 16, 2009, at the Department of Veterans Affairs, Medical Center, North Chicago, Illinois. The inspection was limited to a review of activities authorized under Permit No. 12-10057-04. 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), 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,

/RA/

Patricia J. Pelke, Chief
Materials Licensing Branch

Docket No. 030-34325
License No. 03-23853-01VA
Permit No. 12-10057-04

Enclosure:
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Letter to E. McGuire from P. Pelke dated March 3, 2009

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SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT AND COMPLIANCE INSPECTION



1. LICENSEE/LOCATION INSPECTED:

V.A. Medical Center
3001 Green Bay Road
North Chicago, IL

2. NRC/REGIONAL OFFICE

REGION III
US NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
801 WARRENVILLE ROAD
LISLE IL 60532-4351

REPORT NUMBER(S) 2008-09

3. DOCKET NUMBER(S)

03034325

4. LICENSE NUMBER(S)

03-23853-01VA

5. DATE(S) OF INSPECTION

2/17/2009

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.

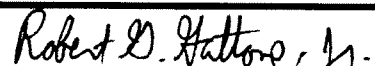
_____ non-cited violation(s) were discussed involving the following requirement(s):

- ☐ 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)

Statement of Corrective Actions

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			
NRC INSPECTOR	Robert G. Gattone, Jr.		3/3/09