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SUBJECT: REPLY to a Notice of Violation Docket 030-32290 License 11-27346-01

This letter is in response to the Notice of Violation, severity Level IV received by Eastern Idaho Health Services, Inc (doing business as Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center) as a result of the NRC inspection performed on August 26,2009. The Inspection Report and Notice of Violation are dated September 28, 2009.

- 1. Reason for Violation: An authorized user was observed in the Nuclear Medicine Department injecting a patient with unsealed technetium-99m for a lymphoscintigraphy procedure without wearing the required dosimetry.
- Corrective Steps Taken: Immediately upon identification (day of inspection, August 26,2009) that the authorized user (a radiologist) was not wearing his dosimetry device, he was notified of this, put it on and was in compliance with the regulation. The Medical Staff Department Chairman was also notified of this violation.
- 3. Corrective Steps to Avoid Further Violations: Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center's policy to comply with 10 CFR 20.1101 and 10 CFR 20.1301 (Safe Use of Unsealed Licensed Material) was reviewed at the Medical Staff- Department of Medical Imaging Meeting on October 26, 2009. Specifically reviewed was the requirement that all personnel wear personal monitoring devices at all times while in areas where radioactive materials are used or stored. Clarification that all personnel includes physicians, authorized users as well as employees of Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center.
- 4. Full Compliance was achieved on: August 26th, 2009.

In accordance with 10 CFR 19.11, the Notice of Violation was posted on September 29, 2009 as will be this response to the NRC, in the following locations that permit individuals engaged in NRC-licensed or regulated activities to observe them on the way to or from any particular licensed or regulatory location to which the document applies, it is conspicuous and was not defaced or altered: Nuclear Medicine department, on Hot Lab door, Nuclear Cardiology, OR, and the Radiologist's Reading Rooms.

Respectfully Submitted,

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