

SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT AND COMPLIANCE INSPECTION

1. LICENSEE/LOCATION INSPECTED: Kalispell Regional Medical Center Radiology Department 310 Sunnyview Lane Kalispell, Montana 59901		2. NRC/REGIONAL OFFICE U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Region IV, 612 East Lamar Blvd, Suite 400 Arlington, Texas 76011-4125	
REPORT NO: 2011-001			
3. DOCKET NUMBER 030-09152	4. LICENSE NUMBER 25-15463-01	5. DATE OF INSPECTION April 18, 2011 & May 5, 2011	

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 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.

10 CFR 35.40(a) states in part that, a written directive must be dated and signed by an authorized user before the administration of I-131 sodium iodide greater than 1.11 megabecquerels (MBq) (30 microcuries (μCi)).

Contrary to the above, on August 17, 2009, December 21, 2009 and September 8, 2010, a written directive was not dated by an authorized user before the administration of I-131 sodium iodide greater than 1.11 megabecquerels (MBq) (30 microcuries (μCi)).

This is Severity Level IV violation (Supplemental IV).

Corrective Actions: On April 21, 2011, the licensee re-educated the staff with the importance of the Authorized User signature block and date according to 10 CFR 35.40 (a); the licensee modified the form so that the nuclear medicine technician verifies the form has been signed and dated by the AU before administration; the radiation safety officer sent an e-mail to all the AU in the radiologist group regarding the importance to date all of the written directives. The licensee discussed the issue during the weekly Radiologist noon conference, and during the most recent Radiation Safety Committee meeting.

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	Michael T. Henson, M.D.	<i>Michael T. Henson</i>	5/5/11
NRC INSPECTOR	Lizette Roldán-Otero, Ph.D.	<i>Lizette Roldán-Otero</i>	05/05/11