

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Veterans Administration-Lakeside
Medical Center
Chicago, IL 60611

License No. 12-02642-08
Docket No. 030-00159

As a result of the inspection conducted on August 28, 1990 and in accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C, (1989) (Enforcement Policy) the following violations were identified:

1. 10 CFR 35.615(d) requires the installation in each teletherapy room of a permanent radiation monitor capable of continuously monitoring beam status. The radiation monitor must provide visible notice of a teletherapy unit malfunction that results in an exposed or partially exposed source, and must be observable by an individual entering the teletherapy room.

Contrary to the above, the radiation monitor was not located in such a manner so as to be visible by an individual entering the teletherapy room. Rather, the monitor was located at the teletherapy room control panel.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement VI).

2. 10 CFR 19.12 requires, in part, that all individuals working in a restricted area be instructed in the precautions and procedures to minimize exposure to radioactive materials, the health protection problems associated with exposure to such radioactive materials or radiation, and in the applicable provisions of the Commission's regulations and licenses.

Contrary to the above, as of August 28, 1990, one Radiation Therapy Technologist working in the Radiation Therapy Department, a restricted area, had not been instructed in the health protection problems associated with exposure to radioactive materials or radiation.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement VI).

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, you are required to submit to this office within thirty days of the date of this Notice a written statement or explanation in reply, including for each violation: (1) the corrective steps that have been taken and the results achieved; (2) the corrective steps that will be taken to avoid further violations; and (3) the date when full compliance will be achieved. Consideration may be given to extending your response time for good cause shown.

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Dated

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