OFFICE OF INSPECTION AND ENFORCEMENT NOTIFICATION OF SIGNIFICANT ENFORCEMENT ACTION

36-19449

Licensee: Radiodiagnostic Imaging Affiliates of Virginia, Inc., Nashville, TN

License No. 41-19870-01

Subject: URDER TO SHOW CAUSE AND ORDER MODIFYING LICENSE

(EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY)

This is to inform the Commission that an Order to Show Cause Why the License Should Not Be Revoked and Order Modifying License (Effective Immediately) is being issued today to Radiodiagnostic Imaging Affiliates of Virginia, Inc. This enforcement action is based on numerous violations of NRC requirements and these violations indicate inadequate management control over radiation safety matters. Since licensed operations commenced the licensee has operated without a required survey meter necessary to comply with basic health physics Commission requirements even though the licensee knew that a survey meter was required. In addition, the licensee ceased performing tests to properly check his dose calibrator and to determine the presence of molybdenum-99 apparently due to a lack of understanding of the Commission's regulations and the safety significance of the tests.

An enforcement conference was held with the licensee on August 23, 1982 to discuss these violations of Commission requirements and whether or not a basis existed for continued operation of the license. As a result of written and verbal commitments by the licensee, and because of the specific circumstances of this case, it has been determined that the Orders are the appropriate enforcement action.

Under the terms of the Order the licensee may, within 25 days of the date of receipt of the Order, file a written answer under oath or affirmation and may also request a hearing. However, a written answer or request for a hearing will not stay the immediate effectiveness of this Order.

The states of Tennessee and Virginia will be notified.

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