

APPENDIX A

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Holy Family Hospital & Medical Center  
Methuen, Massachusetts 01844

Docket No. 030-13728  
License No. 20-13916-02

During an NRC inspection conducted on February 3, 1994, violations of NRC requirements were identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C, the violations are listed below:

- A. 10 CFR 35.315(a)(7) requires that, for each patient receiving radiopharmaceutical therapy and hospitalized for compliance with 10 CFR 35.75, a licensee survey the patient's room and private sanitary facility for removable contamination with a radiation detection survey instrument before assigning another patient to the room. The room must not be reassigned until removable contamination is less than 200 disintegrations per minute per 100 square centimeters.

Contrary to the above, on November 30, 1993, the licensee did not conduct a survey for removable contamination before assigning another patient to room 418, the room of a patient who had received radiopharmaceutical therapy and had been hospitalized for compliance with 10 CFR 35.75.

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

- B. 10 CFR 35.59(g) requires, in part, that a licensee in possession of a sealed source or brachytherapy source conduct a quarterly physical inventory of all such sources in its possession.

Contrary to the above, the licensee conducted a physical inventory of its brachytherapy sources three times in each year (in March, June, and December of each year), a period in excess of a calendar quarter.

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

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Holy Family Hospital & Medical Center is hereby required to submit a written statement or explanation to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, D.C. 20555, with a copy to the Regional Administrator, Region I, within 30 days of the date of the letter transmitting this Notice of Violation (Notice). This reply should be clearly marked as a "Reply to a Notice of Violation" and should include for each violation: (1) the reason for the violation, or, if contested, the basis for disputing the violation, (2) the corrective steps that have been taken and the results achieved, (3) the corrective steps that will be taken to avoid further violations, and (4) the date when full compliance will be achieved. If an adequate reply is not received within the time specified in this Notice, an order or a Demand for Information may be issued to show cause why the license should not be modified, suspended, or revoked, or why such other action as may be proper should not be taken. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

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