

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Hilo Radiologic Associates, Ltd.
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Docket No. 030-31455
License No. 53-29007-01

During an NRC inspection conducted on November 26, 1990 certain 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 (1990), the violations are listed below:

A. License Condition 14 states, in part, that except as specifically provided otherwise in the license, the licensee shall conduct its program in accordance with the statements, representations, and procedures contained in the application dated December 14, 1989.

1. Item 10-6(c) of the application states, in part, that hands and clothing will be monitored for contamination after each procedure with a radiation detection instrument.

Contrary to the above requirement, at the time of the inspection, radioactive contamination was found on the lower left sleeve of the technician's lab coat and on the technician's left wrist at levels approximating 1,700,000 dpm (~0.8 microcuries) and 94,000 dpm (~.04 microcuries) respectively. The technician had failed to monitor her hands and clothing at the end of a procedure as required.

This is a severity level IV violation (Supplement VI).

2. Item 10-6 (I) of the application states that radioactive waste will be disposed of only in the specially designated waste containers.

Contrary to the above requirement, at the time of the inspection, a pair of radioactively contaminated disposable plastic gloves were found in the non-radioactive trash container in the imaging room. The gloves measured approximately 0.6 millirem per hour near the surface.

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

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Hilo Radiologic Associates, Ltd., is hereby required to submit a written statement or explanation to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, DC 20555 with a copy to the Regional Administrator, Region V within 30 days of the date of the letter transmitting this 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 if admitted, (2) the corrective steps that will be taken to avoid further violations, and (3) the date when full compliance will be achieved. If an adequate reply is not received within the time specified in this Notice, an order 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. Consideration may be given to extending the response time for good cause shown.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

James S. Montgomery
Robert J. Pate, Chief
Nuclear Materials Safety and
Safety Cards Branch

Dated at Walnut Creek, California
this 4th day of January 1991

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