

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Veterans Administration Lakeside
Medical Center
Chicago, Illinois

License No. 12-02642-06
Docket No. 030-01435

As a result of the inspection conducted on December 27, 1990, and in accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C, (1990) (Enforcement Policy) the following violations were identified:

1. 10 CFR 35.21(a) requires, in part, that the licensee, through the Radiation Safety Officer, ensure that radiation safety activities are being performed in accordance with approved procedures. The licensee's procedures for personnel monitoring are described in the application for license renewal dated October 8, 1982, and were approved by License Condition No. 21 of License No. 12-02642-06.

Item No. 24 of the October 8, 1982, application "Personnel Monitoring Devices" states that film and TLD badges will be exchanged monthly.

Contrary to the above, from approximately September 10 to November 30, 1990, the licensee failed to exchange personnel film and TLD badges.

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

2. 10 CFR 35.59(g) requires that a licensee in possession of a sealed source or a brachytherapy source, conduct a quarterly physical inventory of all such sources in its possession.

Contrary to the above, since at least 1986 to the date of this inspection, the licensee failed to conduct a quarterly physical inventory of sealed sources and brachytherapy sources in its possession. Specifically, the licensee has conducted a physical inventory of sealed sources and brachytherapy sources in its possession every six (6) months.

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

3. 10 CFR 35.205(e) requires that a licensee check the operation of collection systems for radioactive gases each month and measure the ventilation rates available in areas of use of radioactive gases each six (6) months.

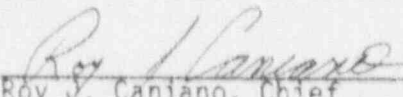
Contrary to the above, since approximately April, 1987, the licensee has failed to check the operation of the xenon-133 gas collection system.

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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