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Docket No. 030-31223
License No. 52-25058-01

Mennonite General Hospital
ATTN: Mr. Ramon Alvarado
Hospital Administrator
G. P. O. Box 1379
Aibonito, PR 00609

Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION
(NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 52-25058-01/91-01)

This refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. W. Loo of this office on February 13, 1991. The inspection included a review of activities authorized for your Mennonite General Hospital. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with you.

The inspection was an examination of activities conducted under your license with respect to radiation safety and compliance with NRC regulations and the conditions of your license. It included selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and direct observations by the inspector.

Based on the results of this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice). We are concerned about the violation because it indicates inadequate attention to licensed activities by the Radiation Safety Officer and licensee management.

You are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. In your response, you should document the specific actions taken and any additional actions you plan to prevent recurrence. After reviewing your response to this Notice, including your proposed corrective actions and the results of future inspections, the NRC will determine whether further NRC enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with NRC regulatory requirements.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

The responses directed by this letter and the enclosed Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, Pub. L. No. 96.511.

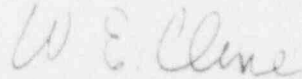
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Should you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact us.

Sincerely,



William E. Cline, Chief
Nuclear Materials Safety and
Safeguards Branch
Division of Radiation Safety
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During an NRC inspection conducted on February 13, 1991, a violation of NRC requirements was identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C (1990), the violation is listed below:

Condition 13 of NRC License No. 52-25058-01 requires that licensed radioactive material be possessed and used in accordance with the statements, representations and procedures described in the license application dated June 15, 1989, and in the documents submitted in support of that application.

Item 10.2.1(b) of the license application requires that the licensee perform a formal annual review of the radiation safety program, including ALARA (as low as reasonably achievable) considerations.

Contrary to the above, a formal review of the radiation safety program was not performed for 1989 or 1990.

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

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Mennonite General Hospital 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 II, 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 may be issued to show cause why the license should not be

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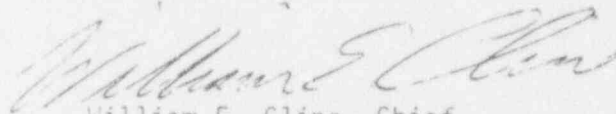
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modified, suspended, or revoked, or why such other action as may be proper should not be taken. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



William E. Cline, Chief
Nuclear Materials Safety and
Safeguards Branch
Division of Radiation Safety
and Safeguards

Dated at Atlanta, Georgia
this 6 day of March 1991