

APPENDIX A

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Department of Veteran Affairs  
Medical Center  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15240

Docket No. 030-02978  
License No. 37-01230-03

During an NRC inspection conducted on October 11, 1994, 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, the violation is listed below:

10 CFR 35.21(a) requires that the licensee, through the Radiation Safety Officer, ensure that radiation safety activities are being performed in accordance with approved procedures. The licensee's approved procedures for the safe use of radiopharmaceuticals are described in Item 10.4 of the application dated April 11, 1994 as those contained in Appendix I of Regulatory Guide 10.8 (Rev. 2), and were approved by License Condition No. 24.

Item 9 of Appendix I requires that radioactive waste be disposed of in designated, labeled, and properly shielded receptacles.

Contrary to the above, on October 11, 1994, radioactive waste was not disposed of in designated, labeled, and properly shielded receptacles. Specifically, a glove contaminated with technetium 99-m and which measured 2 millirem per hour was placed in a receptacle designated for non-radioactive material.

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, the Department of Veterans Affairs 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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