

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Plaza Nuclear Imaging
Hato Rey, Puerto Rico

Docket No. 030-33894
License No. 52-25340-01

During an NRC inspection conducted on July 14, 1998, violations of NRC requirements were identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedures for NRC Enforcement Actions," NUREG-1600, the violations are listed below:

- A. 10 CFR 35.70(f) requires, in part, that the licensee be able to detect contamination on each wipe sample of 2000 disintegrations per minute (dpm).

Contrary to the above, as of July 14, 1998, the licensee was not able to detect contamination on each wipe sample of 2000 dpm. Specifically, the licensee was using a Geiger counter calibrated to measure radiation levels to quantify contamination levels, thus disabling the licensee to detect contamination on wipe samples of 2000 dpm.

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

- B. 10 CFR 35.50(b)(3) requires, in part, that dose calibrator linearity tests over a range from the highest dosage that will be administered to a patient to 30 microcuries.

Contrary to the above, the licensee's dose calibrator linearity tests performed in February, May, and November 1997, and February and May 1998, did not cover the range down to 30 microcuries.

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

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Plaza Nuclear Imaging 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 or severity level, (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. Your response may reference or include previous docketed correspondence, if the correspondence adequately addresses the required response. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

If you contest this enforcement action, you should also provide a copy of your response to the Director, Office of Enforcement, United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555-0001.

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Because your response will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR), to the extent possible, it should not include any personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information so that it can be placed in the PDR without redaction. If personal privacy or proprietary information is necessary to provide an acceptable response, then please provide a bracketed copy of your response that identifies the information that should be protected and a redacted copy of your response that deletes such information. If you request withholding of such material, you must specifically identify the portions of your response that you seek to have withheld and provide in detail the bases for your claim of withholding (e.g., explain why the disclosure of information will create an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy or provide the information required by 10 CFR 2.790(b) to support a request for withholding confidential commercial or financial information). If safeguards information is necessary to provide an adequate response, please provide the level of protection described in 10 CFR 73.21.

Dated at Atlanta, Georgia
this 7th day of August 1998