

NRC FORM 591M
(04-2022)

U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Materials Inspection Report

1. Licensee/Location Inspected: St. Luke Community Hospital 107 6th Avenue Southwest Ronan, Montana 59864 Report Number(s) 2023-001		2. NRC/Regional Office Region IV U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission 1600 E. Lamar Boulevard Arlington, TX 76011-4511	
3. Docket Number(s) 030-38419	4. License Number(s) 25-29421-01	5. Date(s) of Inspection March 21-27, 2023	

LICENSEE:

The inspection was an examination of the activities conducted under your license as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) rules and regulations and the conditions of your license. The inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspector. The inspection findings are as follows:

- ☐ 1. Based on the inspection findings, no violations were identified.
- ☐ 2. Previous violation(s) closed.
- ☒ 3. During this inspection, certain of your activities, as described below and/or attached, were in violation of NRC requirements, and were assessed at Severity Level IV, in accordance with the NRC Enforcement Policy.
- A. The violation(s), specifically described to you by the inspector as non-cited violations, are not being cited because they were self-identified, non-repetitive, corrective action was or is being taken, and the remaining criteria in the NRC Enforcement Policy were satisfied.
(Non-cited violation(s) was/were discussed involving the following requirement(s))

- B. The following violation(s) is/are being cited in accordance with NRC Enforcement Policy. This form is a NOTICE OF VIOLATION, which may be subject to posting in accordance with 10 CFR 19.11.
(Violations and Corrective Actions)

License Condition 11 of NRC Materials License No. 25-29421-01, Amendment No. 7, dated December 2, 2022, states that the Radiation Safety Officer (RSO) for this license is Kari L. Cann, M.S.

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Statement of Corrective Actions

I hereby state that, within 30 days, the actions described by me to the Inspector will be taken to correct the violations identified. This statement of corrective actions is made in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 2.201 (corrective steps already taken, corrective steps which will be taken, date when full compliance will be achieved). I understand that no further written response to NRC will be required, unless specifically requested.

TITLE	PRINTED NAME	SIGNATURE AND DATE
LICENSEE'S REPRESENTATIVE	Steven J. Todd	
NRC INSPECTOR	James L. Thompson / Kyle Bischoff	James L. Thompson <small>Digitally signed by James L. Thompson Date: 2023.04.05 12:41:25 -05'00'</small>
BRANCH CHIEF	Lizette Roldán-Otero, PhD	Lizette Roldan-Otero <small>Digitally signed by Lizette Roldan-Otero Date: 2023.05.21 10:18:41 -05'00'</small>

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Contrary to the above, as of the date of the inspection on March 21, 2023, Kari L. Cann was not the RSO for this license. Specifically, as of January 1, 2023, the licensee delegated the authority of Radiation Safety Officer to Ethan Jefferson Fairbanks, a contract RSO. A letter documenting this was signed, dated, and available at the facility, but the licensee failed to request this change with the NRC through a license amendment request. The inspector identified this violation during the on-site inspection on March 21, 2023, and the licensee submitted an amendment request on March 24, 2023, requesting the change of RSO.

This is a Severity Level IV violation, in accordance with Example 6.3.d.8 of the NRC Enforcement Policy.

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Kyle,
Here is the signed Materials Inspection Report.

Thank you,

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