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July 7, 2025

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SUBJECT: CHARLOTTE HUNGERFORD HOSPITAL - NRC INSPECTION NO.
03009293/2025001 AND NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Dear Patricia Sullivan:

This letter refers to the inspection conducted on June 9-10, 2025, at your Torrington, Connecticut facilities. This inspection examined activities conducted under your license as they relate to public health and safety, and to confirm compliance with the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) rules and regulations and with the conditions of your license. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selected examinations of procedures and representative records, observations of activities, and interviews with personnel.

Based on the results of this inspection, the NRC has determined that two Severity Level IV violations of NRC requirements occurred. These violations were evaluated in accordance with the NRC Enforcement Policy. The current Enforcement Policy is included on the NRC's website at <https://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/regulatory/enforcement/enforce-pol.html>. The violations are cited in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice) because the violations were identified by the NRC.

You are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. If you have additional information that you believe the NRC should consider, you may provide it in your response to the Notice. The NRC review of your response to the Notice will also determine whether further enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and your response, if you choose to provide one, will be made available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the NRC document system (ADAMS), accessible from the NRC website at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To the extent possible, your response should not include any personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information so that it can be made available to the Public without redaction.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Janice Nguyen of my staff at (610) 337-5006 or via electronic mail at janice.nguyen@nrc.gov.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Farrah C. Gaskins, Acting Chief
Medical and Licensing Assistance Branch
Division of Radiological Safety and Security
Region I

Docket No. 030-09293
License No. 06-08349-04

Enclosure:
Notice of Violation

cc w/ enclosure
Gerald J. Randall, M.S.,
Radiation Safety Officer
State of Connecticut

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NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Charlotte Hungerford Hospital
Torrington, Connecticut

Docket No. 03009293
License No. 06-08349-04

During an NRC inspection conducted on June 9-10, 2025, two violations of NRC requirements were identified. In accordance with the NRC Enforcement Policy, the violations are listed below:

- A. 10 CFR 35.14(b)(5) states, in part, that a licensee shall notify the Commission no later than 30 days after the licensee has added to or changed the areas of use identified in the application or on the license where byproduct material is used in accordance with either § 35.100 or § 35.200.

Contrary to the above, as of June 9, 2025, the licensee failed to notify the Commission no later than 30 days after the licensee added to or changed the areas of use identified in the application or on the license where byproduct material is used in accordance with either § 35.100 or § 35.200. Specifically, the licensee has a radioactive waste storage bin in a posted room that was not identified on their license. The room is periodically used to store radioactive waste that has set off their radiation portal monitors. Both the room and the waste storage bin are appropriately posted with radioactive materials signs, and the room is access controlled, but the room has not been identified as an area of use or storage on their license.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Enforcement Policy Section 6.3.).

- B. 10 CFR 35.24(f) states, in part, that licensees that are authorized for two or more different types of uses of byproduct material under Subparts E, F, and H of this part, or two or more types of units under Subpart H of this part, shall establish a Radiation Safety Committee (RSC) to oversee all uses of byproduct material permitted by the license and that the Committee must include an authorized user of each type of use permitted by the license.

Contrary to the above, as of March 20, 2023, the licensee failed to ensure that the Committee included an authorized user of each type of use permitted by the license. Specifically, an authorized user for materials permitted by 10 CFR 35.600 (HDR) has not attended any RSC meetings since the previous inspection.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Enforcement Policy Section 6.3.).

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Charlotte Hungerford 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 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. Your response may reference or include previous docketed correspondence, if the correspondence adequately addresses the required response. If an adequate reply is not received within the time specified in this Notice, an order or a Demand for Information may be issued as to 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.

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, DC 20555-0001. Under the authority of Section 182 of the Act, 42 U.S.C. 2232, any response which contests an enforcement action shall be submitted under oath or affirmation.

Your response will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR) and on the NRC website. To the extent possible, it should, therefore, not include any personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information so that it can be made publicly available without redaction. However, if you find it necessary to include such information, you should clearly indicate the specific information that you desire not to be placed in the PDR and provide the legal basis to support your request for withholding the information from the public.

In accordance with 10 CFR 19.11, you may be required to post this Notice within two working days of receipt.

Dated this 7th day of July 2025.