

From: [Gepford, Heather](#)
To: [Torres, Roberto](#)
Subject: Fwd: ACTION: Initiate Review of Avera McKennan Nuclear Materials License Relief Request
Date: Monday, April 27, 2020 1:36:27 PM
Attachments: [Incoming Request-Mary Muessle, Region IV Licensing-Apr 27,2020.pdf](#)

Here you go!

Begin Forwarded Message:

From: "Materials License Relief Requests Resource"
<MaterialsLicenseReliefRequests.Resource@nrc.gov>
Subject: ACTION: Initiate Review of Avera McKennan Nuclear Materials License Relief Request
Date: 27 April 2020 13:32
To: "Muessle, Mary" <Mary.Muessle@nrc.gov>, "Gepford, Heather" <Heather.Gepford@nrc.gov>

The licensee has submitted the attached COVID-19 related request through the NRC public website portal, please forward this to the appropriate staff to initiate the review process.

Nuclear Materials Relief Request

Apr 27,2020

1. **Submitter Name:**

Michelle White

2. **Submitter Title:**

Radiation Safety Officer

3. **Email Address:**

Please enter the email address for which you would like to receive communications regarding this request.
michelle.white@avera.org

4. **Phone Number:**

Please enter the phone number for which someone from NRC may contact you regarding this request.
[REDACTED]

5. **Organization Name:**

Please enter the name of your organization from your NRC issued license.
Avera McKennan

6. **Organization Street Address:**

1325 South Cliff Avenue

7. **Organization City, State and Zip Code:**

Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57117

8. **License Number(s):**

Examples: 10-12345-01, SUA-1234, SNM-1234, 9213
40-16571-02

9. **Docket Number(s):**

Examples: 03012345, 04012345, 07012345, 07200123
[Docket Number(s)]

10. **Need By Date:**

The Need by date is defined as the date when your organization will be out of compliance if relief is not granted.
04/30/2020

11. **Select NRC Technical Contact:**

Mary Muessle, Region IV Licensing

12. **Provide a brief description and why reason regulatory relief is needed:**

Use the area below to provide a brief description to support your organization's need for regulatory relief. Please specify which regulatory requirement(s) and/or license condition(s) your organization will not be able to maintain compliance and describe the challenges affecting compliance.

This letter is a request for an exemption of 20.1906. In response to this regulation, Avera McKennan Policy of receiving radioactive material states that the delivery will occur in a licensed area. We strictly intended for delivery directly to [REDACTED].

With the pandemic, FEDEX, our contracted delivery vendor will not enter the hospital. After looking into alternative processes, Avera McKennan would like an exemption of direct receipt. We ask that FEDEX can leave the package at [REDACTED]. They will be instructed to lock the radioactive package in [REDACTED]. The Radiation Safety team will instruct the Materials team on how to recognize a radioactive package, where to immediately lock it [REDACTED], and the number to call [REDACTED] to be alerted.