

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Blodgett Memorial Medical Center
Grand Rapids, Michigan

License No. 21-01424-03
Docket No. 030-02008

During an NRC inspection conducted on January 28, 1993, 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 35.92(a) permits a licensee to dispose of byproduct material with a physical half-life of less than 65 days in ordinary trash, provided, in part, that the licensee first holds such byproduct material for decay a minimum of ten half-lives.

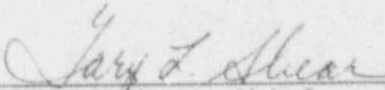
Contrary to the above, on August 2 and October 23, 1991, and May 18 and June 23, 1992, the licensee disposed of iodine-131 in ordinary trash without first holding this material for decay a minimum of ten half-lives.

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

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Blodgett Memorial Medical Center is hereby required to submit a written statement or explanation to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Region III, 799 Roosevelt Road, Glen Ellyn, Illinois, 60137, 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 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.

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Dated _____



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