Sodium Hypochlorite Bleach as A Disinfectant against Anthrax (Bacillus anthracis)

The following published source provides documentation regarding the efficacy of sodium hypochlorite (5.25% household bleach in a 10% solution) as a disinfectant against Anthrax:

http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm5113a4.htm
The CDC recommends a 10% bleach solution to kill Anthrax spores in laboratories in its MMWR Weekly publication April 5, 2002, Suspected Cutaneous Anthrax in a Laboratory Worker --- Texas, 2002. A vigorous program of routine decontamination with a 10% bleach solution is needed to kill viable B. anthracis spores on laboratory surfaces and vials. Alcohol is not sufficient to eliminate viable B. anthracis spores from contaminated surfaces. (See Page 3, Editorial Note)

The NIH publishes Preparing for Bioterrorism from the Departments of Epidemiology and Pathology at Baylor University Medical Center. The article recommends a 1:9 (10%) solution of household bleach for decontaminating surfaces exposed to Anthrax. If environmental surfaces need to be decontaminated, an Environmental Protection Agency-approved sporicidal/germicidal agent or a 0.5% hypochlorite solution (1 part household bleach to 9 parts water) should be used. (See Page 4, Anthrax)