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Ref: (a) Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR)
(b) NUREG-1556, Vol. 9; Consolidated Guidance About
Materials Licenses: Program-Specific Guidance About
Medical Use Licenses
(c) Nuclear Regulatory Commission Inspection Manual,
Inspection Procedures 87132: Brachytherapy Programs
(d) NAVENVIRHLTHCEN ltr 6470 Ser OEM/000159 of 13 Feb 04
(e) NAVENVIRHLTHCEN ltr 6470 Ser OEM/001330 of 28 Dec 06
(f) BUMEDINST 6470.20

1. This Information Notice is issued to promulgate the new Navy Environmental Health Center (NAVENVIRHLTHCEN) audit guide for "High Dose Rate (HDR) Brachytherapy" under the Naval Radioactive Materials Permit (NRMP) Program. This audit guide is based on Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) regulations in Part 35.600 of reference (a) and regulatory guidance in reference (b), as well as the NRC's inspection procedures in reference (c). References (d) and (e) are Naval Radiation Safety Committee (NRSC) Bulletins that mandated additional requirements regarding the receipt, storage and security of radioactive materials.

2. The HDR Brachytherapy audit guide and other previously released audit guides can be downloaded at: http://www-nehc.med.navy.mil/occmcd/rad_nrmp.htm. Radiation Safety Officers (RSOs) shall use this and other applicable audit guides for performance of internal program reviews, annual external audits, and turnover audits with prospective RSOs.


3. A copy of all completed audit guides and report of corrective actions shall be forwarded to NAVENVIRHLTHCEN in accordance with reference (f) within 60 days. With regard to RSO turnover audits, cover pages from all applicable audit guides along with a summary of findings shall be included as an attachment to the

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NRMP amendment application to change the name of the RSO on the permit. The completed audit guides and corrective actions should be forwarded to NAVENVIRHLTHCEN separate from the NRMP amendment application.

4. Permittee's shall document their Radiation Safety Committee's (RSC's) review of this Information Notice, as well as applicable training of their staff. No formal reply is required.

5. For additional information, please contact CDR S. L. Gaiter, MSC, USN, Radiation Health Team Leader at DSN 377-0766 or (757) 953-0766, Fax (757) 953-0670, or by e-mail at schleurious.gaiter@med.navy.mil.



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