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NRC Proposes \$28,000 Civil Penalty to XCEL NDT

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has [proposed](#) a \$28,000 civil penalty to XCEL NDT of Gretna, Nebraska, for three violations of NRC security requirements associated with the use of radioactive materials. The company uses radioactive materials for industrial radiography to perform non-destructive testing of materials.

The NRC identified the apparent violations of agency requirements following an inspection after a company vehicle containing radioactive materials was stolen from a temporary jobsite in Billings, Montana, last year. The vehicle and the radioactive material were recovered that same day.

Details of the inspection and the apparent violations were documented in an [August 2023 report](#).

In October, a regulatory conference was conducted at the NRC Region IV office in Arlington, Texas, with company officials to discuss the apparent violations, their significance, their root causes, and the company's corrective actions. The conference was closed to public observation because it involved security-related information.

Based on the information developed during the inspection and provided during the conference, the NRC determined that three violations of NRC requirements occurred, and a civil penalty was warranted.

The company has 30 days to pay the fine, dispute the fine, or request involvement from a neutral third-party mediator to resolve the issue.