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MEMORANDUM

TO: CRCPD Director Members

FROM: Pat Gorman, Administrative Officer *Pat*

RE: *Positions, Resolutions, and Recommendations - Dynamic Documents*

DATE: May 16, 2002

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The following items are to add/replace pages currently in your copy of the *Positions, Resolutions, and Recommendations - Dynamic Document*:

- Replace the existing Table of Contents (pages i, ii, iii, and iv) with the revised Table of Contents (pages i, ii, iii, iv, and v) that reflects the additions of ER/T13, E11, E13, HA25, RR45, and RR47 (shown below).
- CRCPD Resolution relating to the use of *Potassium Iodide (KI) in the Event of a Large Release of Radioactive Iodine that May Require Protective Action*. This resolution was approved by the CRCPD Membership on May 8, 2002 and is to be placed in the Emergency Response/Transportation section behind ER/T11;
- CRCPD Resolution relating to *Regulation of U. S. Department of Energy Facilities and Responsibilities of States for the Regulation of Radiation Sources (Radioactive Materials and Radiation Producing Machines) at Those Facilities*. This resolution was approved by the CRCPD Membership on May 6, 2002 and is to be placed in the Environmental section behind E9;
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- CRCPD Resolution relating to *Computed Tomography (CT) Scanning*. This resolution was approved by the CRCPD Membership on May 8, 2002 and is to be placed in the Healing Arts section behind HA23;
- CRCPD Board of Directors Resolution recognizing *Charles B. Meinhold*. This resolution was presented to Mr. Meinhold on April 9, 2002 and is to be placed in the Recognition Resolution section behind RR43.
- CRCPD Board of Directors Resolution recognizing *Diane E. Tefft*. This resolution was presented to Ms. Tefft on April 30, 2002 and is to be placed in the Recognition Resolution section behind RR45.

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Attachments (7)

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CONFERENCE OF RADIATION CONTROL PROGRAM DIRECTORS, INC.

RESOLUTION

- Relating to:** The Use of Potassium Iodide (KI) In the Event of a Large Release of Radioactive Iodine that May Require Protective Action.
- WHEREAS:** The CRCPD recognizes the complexities, including stockpiling, distribution timing, and distribution logistics surrounding the issue of state and/or local agencies providing KI to the general public, and
- WHEREAS:** The CRCPD has reviewed current federal guidance on the use of KI, and
- WHEREAS:** The CRCPD recognizes that the use of KI is not a substitute for evacuation, sheltering-in-place, food embargoes or other protective action that would substantially remove a population from the presence of radioactive materials, and
- WHEREAS:** Exposure to radioiodine could result in acute health effects and an increased risk of future health problems related to the thyroid, and
- WHEREAS:** The CRCPD recognizes that KI provides protection only against radioiodine and does not provide protection against any other radioactive material that may be present, and
- WHEREAS:** A very small segment of the general population may be allergic to iodine and at increased risk of sustaining adverse effects if KI is taken as a prophylactic, and
- WHEREAS:** Studies have shown that the expected benefit (dose savings) to iodine-allergic individuals outweighs the potential for adverse effects.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED:

That state and local jurisdictions CONSIDER the use of KI as a prophylactic for the general public in the event of a large release of radioactive iodine that may require protective action, and

That consideration of state and local jurisdictions be conveyed to the general public, and if the decision is made to distribute or stockpile KI, jurisdictions must develop and implement a public and medical KI educational program, and

That state and local jurisdictions must consider the criteria on which a recommendation for the public to consume KI will be made. Such criteria should take into account whether the drug has been pre-distributed or will be provided at the time of an event; whether the recommendation is based on a projected or actual release of radioiodine and at what exposure level, and the timeliness of any such recommendation. The public should be made aware of the process by which KI use will be recommended and cautioned against unnecessary or inappropriate use of the drug, and

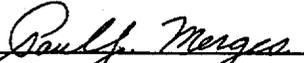
That state and local jurisdictions consider the potential liabilities of distributing KI to the public and consideration should be given to legislation or other mechanisms that might afford a measure of immunity from lawsuits for those entities and individuals assigned the responsibility for distributing the drug, and

That the federal government provide funding to support state and local jurisdictions in developing and maintaining a continuing program to provide KI to the public should the need arise, and

That state and local jurisdictions may follow the U.S. Food and Drug Administration guidance titled "Potassium Iodine as a Thyroid Blocking Agent in Radiation Emergencies" dated December 2001, and

That the FDA expedite the approval to manufacture KI in smaller dose amounts (65, 32, 16 mg tablets, and in liquid form) for use by children and neonates or withdraw that portion of the December 2001 guidance referencing the minimum effective doses for children.

Approved by the CRCPD Membership on May 6, 2002


Paul J. Merges, Ph.D.
CRCPD Chairperson



CONFERENCE OF RADIATION CONTROL PROGRAM DIRECTORS, INC.

RESOLUTION

- Relating to:** Regulation of U.S. Department of Energy Facilities and Responsibilities of States for the Regulation of Radiation Sources (Radioactive Materials and Radiation Producing Machines) at Those Facilities.
- WHEREAS:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) facilities that utilize radiation sources presently are not subject to the external oversight equivalent to other governmental agencies and private industry; and
- WHEREAS:** Resolutions passed by the Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors, Inc. (CRCPD) in 1991 and 1993 have consistently supported the external regulation of the DOE; and
- WHEREAS:** In the fall of 2001, the conference committee considering appropriations bills for energy and water development (H.R. 2311 and S 1171) directed DOE to prepare an implementation plan to transition to external regulation at certain DOE non-defense science laboratories; and
- WHEREAS:** The radiation sources at contractor-operated DOE science laboratories and facilities include machine sources such as x-ray machines and accelerators, accelerator-produced radioactive materials, and Atomic Energy Act (AEA) materials; and
- WHEREAS:** The states have comprehensive radiation control experience in regulating sources such as these and have existing statutes, regulations, inspection procedures, equipment, and personnel for the oversight of facilities such as these; and
- WHEREAS:** It would be most effective and cost-efficient to extend the existing state programs for the regulation of sources of radiation at these contractor-operated DOE facilities.

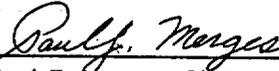
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the CRCPD formally request Congress to recognize the authority of the state radiation control programs over sources of ionizing radiation in these contractor-operated DOE facilities for which the state has statutory and regulatory authority;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That a copy of this resolution be provided to the DOE, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), and the appropriations committees having jurisdiction over NRC and DOE.

Approved by the CRCPD Membership on May 6, 2002



Paul J. Merges, Ph.D.
CRCPD Chairperson



CONFERENCE OF RADIATION CONTROL PROGRAM DIRECTORS, INC.

RESOLUTION

Relating to: The Release from Regulatory Control of Solid Materials from Nuclear Facilities.

WHEREAS: There is no national regulatory standard for consistently clearing solid materials from nuclear facilities; and, the Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors, Inc. (CRCPD) recognizes inconsistencies in the current approach to decisions made on clearing solid materials from regulatory control, and

WHEREAS: A uniform clearance standard has clear advantage over the current case-by-case approach in clearance of solid materials, and

WHEREAS: The CRCPD has historically recommended that naturally occurring and accelerator produced radioactive material (NARM) and technically enhanced naturally occurring radioactive material (TENORM) be treated consistently and uniformly in the development of standards for the control of solid materials, and

WHEREAS: The CRCPD, in prior resolutions, has advocated for development of an individual dose criterion and establishment of a policy and rulemaking based on sound, risk-based policy for exempting products or practices based on associated individual risks being trivial, and

WHEREAS: A risk based and technically defensible standard will serve to improve public confidence while maintaining human health and protection of the environment, and

WHEREAS: The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) will soon be making a decision on whether to move forward with a rulemaking process or other alternatives, and

WHEREAS: NRC decisions on selection of a final dose criterion and concentration guidelines would be driven by a rulemaking process that includes stakeholder involvement and building upon already established national and international technical consensus, and

WHEREAS: NRC rulemaking would include transparent and independent analysis of technical bases for the rulemaking, and

WHEREAS: The Department of Energy (DOE), with its current initiative to develop a Programmatic Environmental Impacts Statement on scrap metal, may independently move forward to develop clearance criteria for their facilities, and

WHEREAS: National standards developed by NRC would serve to encourage DOE and other federal and state agencies to establish compatible standards, and

WHEREAS: Regulations pertaining to controlling solid materials would provide a lasting and durable legal foundation for decisions made on clearing solid materials from nuclear facilities.

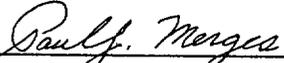
NOW BE IT RESOLVED:

That the CRCPD recommends the NRC move forward without delay with a rulemaking process for developing national standards for the control of solid materials from nuclear facilities,

That standards include a prohibition against the importation of solid materials exceeding the U. S. standard, and

That technical bases developed by NRC need to include considerations of NARM and TENORM.

Approved by the CRCPD Membership on May 8, 2002


Paul J. Merges, Ph.D.
CRCPD Chairperson



CONFERENCE OF RADIATION CONTROL PROGRAM DIRECTORS, INC.

RESOLUTION

Relating to: Computed Tomography (CT) Scanning

- WHEREAS:** There are both benefits and potential risks associated with a CT procedure,
- WHEREAS:** CT can be a useful diagnostic tool when a person has signs or symptoms of some particular disease or condition, or in persons diagnosed with a particular disease, CT can be extremely helpful in determining the extent of disease and monitoring the effects of treatment,
- WHEREAS:** Some medical imaging clinics are promoting a new use of CT with partial and whole-body CT scanning, and marketing these exams as a preventive or proactive healthcare measure to individuals who have no symptoms or history of disease,
- WHEREAS:** No scientific studies have demonstrated that CT screening of individuals without symptoms provides a greater probability of benefit than harm,
- WHEREAS:** Many national medical, scientific, and professional societies have reviewed self-referral CT screening of individuals without symptoms for various disease and medical conditions, and have concluded (though in some cases such exams appear promising) the efficacy of such broad CT screening programs has yet to be proven,
- WHEREAS:** The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has never approved, cleared or certified any CT x-ray system specifically for use in screening (i.e., of individuals without symptoms), because no manufacturer has ever demonstrated to the FDA that their CT scanner is effective for screening for any disease or condition,

WHEREAS: The main risks of CT screening scans for an individual are: 1) abnormal test results for a benign or incidental finding, leading to unneeded and possibly invasive follow-up tests that may present additional risks; 2) normal findings that carry the possibility of inaccuracy and false reassurance which may lead the patient to conclude that further routine screening tests such as for breast cancer, cervical cancer, colon cancer, hypertension, diabetes, etc. are unnecessary; and 3) the increased possibility of cancer induction from x-ray radiation exposure,

WHEREAS: Diagnostic CT scanning procedures typically yield an effective dose in the range of 1 to 10 mSv, and this dose range is in a range comparable to the 5 to 20 mSv received by some of the Japanese A-bomb survivors,

WHEREAS: These survivors are estimated to have experienced a small but increased radiation-related relative risk for cancer mortality,

WHEREAS: A CT examination with an effective dose of 10 mSv is associated with an increase in the possibility of fatal cancer of approximately 1 in 2000 compared to the natural incidence of fatal cancer in the United States population of about 1 in 5,

WHEREAS: This small increase in radiation-associated cancer for an individual can become a public health concern if large numbers of the population undergo increased numbers of CT screening procedures of uncertain benefit, or if the same person undergoes repeated CT screens during that individual's lifetime, and

WHEREAS: The estimated annual number of CT examinations and procedures in the US (both adult and pediatric) was 58,000,000 in 2000, and growing, and sales of multi-slice CT which facilitate screening examinations are expected to peak at more than \$2.4 billion by 2007, increasing the availability of CT procedures in every area of the country.

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Members of the CRCPD hereby express their growing concern with the use and marketing of CT scans to screen healthy people, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That CRCPD members should actively discourage self-referral CT screening through the application of individual state authority, and require all CT scans be specifically ordered and authorized by a physician after a medical consultation, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That CRCPD support a public information campaign to discourage asymptomatic individuals from obtaining CT screening scans until scientific studies demonstrate that this use of CT is effective in reducing a specific population's disease morbidity and mortality, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the CRCPD support the application of a quality assurance program for every CT machine to ensure that good imaging technique is used to help avoid unnecessary radiation exposure, and

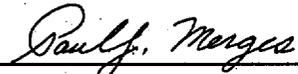
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the CRCPD membership and staff pay particular attention to ensuring that appropriate technique is used for pediatric patients, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That CRCPD post this resolution on their website and issue a concurrent press statement.

Approved by the CRCPD Membership on May 8, 2002



Paul J. Merges, Ph.D.
CRCPD Chairperson



CONFERENCE OF RADIATION CONTROL PROGRAM DIRECTORS, INC.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS RESOLUTION

- Whereas:** Charles B. Meinhold has served as President of the National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements (NCRP) since 1991; and
- Whereas:** Mr. Meinhold has significantly contributed to the protection of the public from unnecessary exposure to radiation; and
- Whereas:** Mr. Meinhold has supported the goals and objectives of the Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors, Inc. (CRCPD) during his entire tenure as President of NCRP; and
- Whereas:** Mr. Meinhold in his support of CRCPD has on numerous occasions brought major radiation protection issues to the attention of state radiation control agencies; and
- Whereas:** Mr. Meinhold has been a gracious host to the CRCPD in providing office space, free of charge, to the Board of Directors' meetings;

Now Therefore, Be It Resolved:

That Charles B. Meinhold is hereby recognized and praised by the Board of Directors of the CRCPD for his outstanding leadership of the NCRP for over ten years; and

Be It Further Resolved:

That Mr. Meinhold is very much appreciated for his steadfast support of the CRCPD and state and local radiation control programs; and

Be It Further Resolved:

That Mr. Meinhold is hereby awarded a Honorary Membership in CRCPD.

Bestowed by the CRCPD Board of Directors on this 9th day of April 2002.

Original signed by Paul J. Merges, Ph.D., CRCPD Chairperson



CONFERENCE OF RADIATION CONTROL PROGRAM DIRECTORS, INC.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS RESOLUTION

Relating to: The contributions of Diane E. Tefft to radiation protection of the citizens of New Hampshire, the nation, and in particular, her many contributions to the Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors, Inc. (CRCPD).

Whereas: Diane Tefft has given 34 years of her professional career to protecting the citizens of New Hampshire from unnecessary radiation exposure; and

Whereas: During these 34 years, Diane has been the "Number 1" supporter of the CRCPD; and

Whereas: In her support of the goals and objectives of the CRCPD Strategic Plan, Diane has served in many positions for the organization, including, but not limited to:

- CRCPD Chairperson;
- Member of the Board of Directors; and
- Member of many working committees, serving as chairperson of many of them, especially highlighting her leadership in the amendment of the long range CRCPD Strategic Plan.

Whereas: In recognition of her outstanding work in protecting the citizens of New Hampshire from radiation exposure, and serving the nation as a whole through her work with the CRCPD, Diane was awarded the *Gerald S. Parker Award of Merit*, the organization's most prestigious award; and

Whereas: Because of Diane's dedication and self-sacrifice to her chosen profession, she is most deserving of a pleasant retirement.

Now Therefore, Be It Resolved:

That Diane Tefft is hereby recognized and praised for her many years of dedicated public service to the citizens of New Hampshire by providing leadership and guidance to the state's radiation control program; and

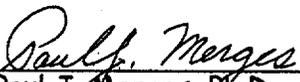
Be it Further Resolved:

That Diane Tefft is hereby recognized and appreciated for her many years of service to the Conference of Radiation Control Programs Directors, a service that benefits all citizens in the United States from unnecessary radiation exposure, and

Be it Further Resolved:

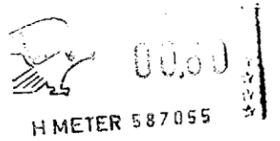
That the CRCPD Board of Directors and the staff of the Office of Executive Director express their sincere appreciation to Diane and wish her a most pleasant, relaxing and rewarding retirement.

Bestowed by the Board of Directors this 30th day of April, 2002.



Paul J. Merges, Ph.D.
CRCPD Chairperson

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