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## **NRC Identifies 11 Events in FY 2018 Annual Report on Abnormal Occurrences**

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has published its annual report to Congress for fiscal year 2018 on Abnormal Occurrences involving the medical and industrial uses of radioactive material.

Nine of the 11 incidents detailed in the report were medical events, such as misadministration of radioactive material in diagnosis or treatment of an illness. One event occurred during radiography operations, while the more recent event involved a stolen radiography camera (item since recovered). No events at commercial nuclear power plants in 2018 met the criteria requiring an Abnormal Occurrence declaration.

U.S. law defines an Abnormal Occurrence as an unscheduled incident or event that the NRC determines to be significant from the standpoint of public health or safety. The NRC sets specific criteria, updated in October 2017, for determining which events qualify.

*Report to Congress on Abnormal Occurrences, Fiscal Year 2018*, is available on the NRC website as [NUREG 0090, Volume 41](#).