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RE: Materials License 21-11315-04
Request to amend license for removal of barrel Delay System..

The original Production License application included a description of the delay system to increase transit time of gas phase radioactive exhaust to the building exhaust. The GE manufactured shielded delay system appears to be sufficient to reduce activity of emissions, and the additional unshielded barrels are of limited value. We performed some experiments using a Fluke 451 ion chamber to measure dose rates at the line entering the barrel delay system and the line exiting the delay system to assess utility. Measurements were taken at varying time increments following 10 min, 60 μ A [^{11}C]-CO₂ production (Runs 1 and 2) or a 21 min, 60 μ A [^{11}C]-CO₂ production using a Siemens Eclipse RDS 111 cyclotron and delivery (via hot cell) to the delay system and then the barrels. Summary table shows overall dose reduction from the barrels. There was only one measurable reduction in dose rate at 1 h post-delivery in the first of three replicates, which was not reproduced in subsequent measurements. Additionally, the transit time of the primary delay system is approximately 6 h, so it is unlikely that the measured dose was exhaust from the [^{11}C]-CO₂ production being used to test the system.

We propose that the additional barrels are superfluous for reductions in dose rate in exhaust. These measurements were conducted using approximately 750 mCi and 1000 mCi of activity released to the exhaust systems to represent a worst-case scenario for the delay systems. Overall, the GE manufactured shielded delay system appears to be entirely sufficient to reduce dose in exhaust.

Table 1. Summary Table of Dose Reductions Attributable to Barrel System

Run #	Measurement Time Post-Production	Dose Reduction from Barrels (mR/hr)
1	1 h	0.26
1	3 h	0
1	6 h	0
2	1 h	0.03
2	3 h	0
3	1 h	0
3	3 h	0

Table 2. Decay-corrected Measurements of Dose Rates of Exhaust Lines Entering and Exiting Barrel Delay System

Run #	Measurement Time Post-Production	Location	Dose Rate (mr/hr) ¹
1	1 h	Before barrels	0.27
1	1 h	After barrels	0.01
1	3 h	Before barrels	0
1	3 h	After barrels	0
1	6 h	Before barrels	0.01
1	6 h	After barrels	0
2	1 h	Before barrels	0.03
2	1 h	After barrels	0.00
2	3 h	Before barrels	0
2	3 h	After barrels	0
3	1 h	Before barrels	0.06
3	1 h	After barrels	0.14
3	3 h	Before barrels	0.00
3	3 h	After barrels	0.01

¹ Dose rates are decay-corrected and background subtracted. Outcomes where the apparent dose rate was negative after back-ground subtraction are reported as "0"

All raw data (no decay correction) are reported below:

Date	Measurement Time	Read information	Location	Dose Rate (mr/hr)	Notes
20APR2023	Pre-cyclotron productions	Before cyclotron production, no activity	Before barrels	0.01	
20APR2023	Pre-cyclotron productions	Before cyclotron production, no activity	After barrels	0.07	
20APR2023	11:03	Following 10 min, 60 µA [¹¹ C]-CO ₂ production (10:05 delivery)	Before barrels	0.30	Background
20APR2023	11:04	Following 10 min, 60 µA [¹¹ C]-CO ₂ production (10:05 delivery)	Before barrels	0.57	Exhaust
20APR2023	11:05	Following 10 min, 60 µA [¹¹ C]-CO ₂ production (10:05 delivery)	After barrels	0.13	Background
20APR2023	11:06	Following 10 min, 60 µA [¹¹ C]-CO ₂ production (10:05 delivery)	After barrels	0.14	Exhaust
20APR2023	13:18	Following 10 min, 60 µA [¹¹ C]-CO ₂ production (10:05 delivery)	Before barrels	0.06	Background
20APR2023	13:18	Following 10 min, 60 µA [¹¹ C]-CO ₂ production (10:05 delivery)	Before barrels	0.05	Exhaust
20APR2023	13:19	Following 10 min, 60 µA [¹¹ C]-CO ₂ production (10:05 delivery)	After barrels	0.08	Background
20APR2023	13:19	Following 10 min, 60 µA [¹¹ C]-CO ₂ production (10:05 delivery)	After barrels	0.06	Exhaust
20APR2023	15:59	Following 10 min, 60 µA [¹¹ C]-CO ₂ production (10:05 delivery)	Before barrels	0.05	Background

20APR2023	15:59	Following 10 min, 60 μ A [11 C]-CO ₂ production (10:05 delivery)	Before barrels	0.06	Exhaust
20APR2023	16:00	Following 10 min, 60 μ A [11 C]-CO ₂ production (10:05 delivery)	After barrels	0.07	Background
20APR2023	16:01	Following 10 min, 60 μ A [11 C]-CO ₂ production (10:05 delivery)	After barrels	0.04	Exhaust

Date	Measurement Time	Read information	Location	Dose Rate (mr/hr)	Notes
21APR2023	12:05	Following 10 min, 60 μ A [11 C]-CO ₂ production (11:09 delivery)	Before barrels	0.27	Background
21APR2023	12:05	Following 10 min, 60 μ A [11 C]-CO ₂ production (11:09 delivery)	Before barrels	0.30	Exhaust
21APR2023	12:05	Following 10 min, 60 μ A [11 C]-CO ₂ production (11:09 delivery)	After barrels	0.12	Background
21APR2023	12:05	Following 10 min, 60 μ A [11 C]-CO ₂ production (11:09 delivery)	After barrels	0.12	Exhaust
21APR2023	14:33	Following 10 min, 60 μ A [11 C]-CO ₂ production (11:09 delivery)	Before barrels	0.05	Background
21APR2023	14:33	Following 10 min, 60 μ A [11 C]-CO ₂ production (11:09 delivery)	Before barrels	0.03	Exhaust
21APR2023	14:34	Following 10 min, 60 μ A [11 C]-CO ₂ production (11:09 delivery)	After barrels	0.04	Background
21APR2023	14:34	Following 10 min, 60 μ A [11 C]-CO ₂ production (11:09 delivery)	After barrels	0.03	Exhaust

Date	Measurement Time	Read information	Location	Dose Rate (mr/hr)	Notes
22APR2023	12:10	Following 21 min, 60 μ A [11 C]-CO ₂ production (11:15 delivery)	Before barrels	0.94	Background
22APR2023	12:11	Following 21 min, 60 μ A [11 C]-CO ₂ production (11:15 delivery)	Before barrels	0.97	Exhaust
22APR2023	12:12	Following 21 min, 60 μ A [11 C]-CO ₂ production (11:15 delivery)	After barrels	0.40	Background
22APR2023	12:12	Following 21 min, 60 μ A [11 C]-CO ₂ production (11:15 delivery)	After barrels	0.54	Exhaust
22APR2023	14:28	Following 21 min, 60 μ A [11 C]-CO ₂ production (11:15 delivery)	Before barrels	0.04	Background
22APR2023	14:28	Following 21 min, 60 μ A [11 C]-CO ₂ production (11:15 delivery)	Before barrels	0.04	Exhaust
22APR2023	14:28	Following 21 min, 60 μ A [11 C]-CO ₂ production (11:15 delivery)	After barrels	0.03	Background
22APR2023	14:29	Following 21 min, 60 μ A [11 C]-CO ₂ production (11:15 delivery)	After barrels	0.03	Exhaust



Please contact me at 269-250-2136 if there are any questions, or if further information is required.

Best Regards,

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Hello Tammy,

Could you please process this in as a new license amendment request for Charles River Laboratories?

License No. 21-11315-04
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Thank you,
Laura

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Hi Laura please see attachment,

Thank you,

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