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## NRC Proposes \$9,000 Civil Penalty to Prein & Newhof

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has [proposed](#) a \$9,000 fine to Prein and Newhof for a violation of NRC requirements associated with the control of NRC-regulated material.

The violation involved four examples of failing to appropriately secure portable gauges from unauthorized removal when not under constant surveillance and control. The gauges are used for measuring the moisture content and density of soil and aggregate.

The NRC identified the proposed violations during [inspections](#) conducted between April and September 2023. The NRC conducted its inspections at the company's facilities in Kalamazoo, Cadillac, Muskegon, and Grand Rapids, Michigan, as well as at temporary job sites in Kalamazoo and Muskegon.

During the inspection, another violation was identified. It involved the failure of the company to notify the NRC within 24 hours after a portable gauge was damaged and failed to function as designed. It is of very low risk significance and did not warrant a fine.

Prein & Newhof responded to the violations in writing and documented its corrective actions to prevent recurrence. Details about the company's responses can be found in the notice of violation.

The company has 30 days to pay the proposed fine or contest it in writing.