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# FIRST NOTICE

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Date: November 24, 1999

Time: 4:00 PM (MST)

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Arizona Licensee: **Scottsdale Memorial Hospital**  
9003 East Shea Blvd  
Scottsdale, AZ 85260  
RSO: Dr. R.L. Korn 480-860-3717

License No. **AZ 7-265**

Texas Licensee **International Isotopes, Inc.**  
3100 Jim Christal Rd.  
Denton, TX 76207-2600  
RSO Wesley Dunn, CHP; 940-484-9492

Lot Numbers: 990129.480  
990142.452  
990128.490

Kansas Broker **Imagyn Medical Technologies**  
15365 West 95<sup>th</sup> Street, Building B  
Lenexa, KS 66219  
Starla Hall 800-332-2765

On November 19, 1999, the Agency was notified by the Licensee that a brachytherapy source was discovered to be either manufactured short or had been cut. The source in question was a model IS-12501 manufactured by International Isotopes Inc. of Texas. The facility did not have any contamination and a manufacturing defect is also a possibility. Based upon Agency review, this is being reported as a possible 10CFR21 problem. No exposures, mis-administration or contamination of facilities have been determined to have occurred.

The Agency is continuing to investigate the radiation safety issues.

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, and the States of California, Kansas and Texas are being notified of this incident.

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