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NRC Proposes \$9,000 Civil Penalty Against Hartford Hospital

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has [proposed](#) a \$9,000 fine to Hartford Hospital in Connecticut for a violation of NRC requirements regarding the retention of complete and accurate records.

In May 2022, radioactive material was accidentally spilled in a lab in the hospital's Nuclear Medicine Department. An NRC investigation found that in July 2022 a former hospital employee completed a report on the spill that contained inaccurate pre- and post- contamination survey results and failed to document information about the equipment used to measure contamination levels. NRC regulations require that the report be maintained for three years.

The NRC sent the hospital a [letter](#) in October 2024, documenting the violation and providing the investigation summary. A pre-decisional enforcement conference was held in November to allow NRC staff and Hartford Hospital officials to discuss the apparent violations, their significance, root causes, and the hospital's corrective actions.

The NRC has concluded that the company's information and actions in response to the violation are adequate and compliance with NRC requirements has been addressed.

The company has 30 days to pay the proposed penalty, contest the penalty in writing, or request alternative dispute resolution with the NRC to resolve this issue.