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**RE: Radioactive Materials Licensing Actions
(Notice No. BERP 2006-1)**

Dear Licensee:

This notice provides information to all licensees authorized to use radioactive materials for brachytherapy. The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission has issued a notice addressing several reported events involving ruptured seeds. The U.S. NRC notice references 10 events over five years, including two recent events involving a Mick applicator.

No response is necessary; however, you may contact Jankai Krishnamoorthy, Ph.D., or myself at 518/402-7590 if you have any comments. You can also e-mail us at berp@health.state.ny.us or write to:

New York State Department of Health
Bureau of Environmental Radiation Protection
Radioactive Materials Section
547 River Street, Flanigan Square – Room 530
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Sincerely,

Robert E. Dansereau, Chief
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Bureau of Environmental Radiation Protection

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Attachment: NRC Information Notice 2005-17: Manual Brachytherapy Source Jamming