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NRC Identifies Nine Abnormal Occurrences in FY 2022 Annual Report to Congress

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has published its annual report to Congress for fiscal year 2022 on abnormal occurrences involving medical and industrial uses of radioactive material.

Nine abnormal occurrences were identified, seven of which were medical events, such as misadministration of radioactive material during diagnostic procedures or the treatment of an illness. The other two events were non-medical overexposures. No events at commercial nuclear power plants in FY 2022 met the criteria for an abnormal occurrence.

An abnormal occurrence is defined as an unscheduled incident or event that the NRC determines to be significant from the standpoint of public health or safety. The FY 2022 report did not identify any event that met the guidelines for inclusion as "other events of interest." The report includes an update to an FY 2021 abnormal occurrence at the National Institute of Standards and Technology Center for Neutron Research.

The "Report to Congress on Abnormal Occurrences, FY 2022" is available on the NRC website.