



**Association of Imaging Producers & Equipment Suppliers**  
**(European Industrial Association for Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Healthcare)**

**NOTE FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE EU OBSERVATORY FOR THE SUPPLY OF RADIOISOTOPES FOR MEDICAL USE**  
**To Remik Baranczyk – ESA and Member of the EU Observatory**

**COMMUNICATION REGARDING CURRENT GLOBAL SUPPLY OF MO-99 AND I-131**

Brussels, 16 May 2019

NTP provided the following information to AIPES concerning the current status of its Mo-99 and I-131 production activities:

NTP continues to work closely with the National Nuclear Regulator (NNR) of South Africa but as of this date has not been able to resume operations. With the upcoming scheduled SAFARI shut down starting on 18 May 2019, the earliest date NTP could be able to supply Mo-99 into the global market will be during the week of 27 May 2019. NTP is in communication with all Mo-99 and I-131 users that are directly impacted.

AIPES has also been informed that as a result of the current planned outage of the MARIA research reactor, POLATOM is not able to supply I-131 to the global nuclear medicine market for the period of 14 May – 8 June. As NTP is not currently able to supply I-131, it is anticipated that there will be insufficient supply of I-131 to meet global demand.

AIPES will provide additional updates as they are available.

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