CONFERENCE OF RADIATION CONTROL PROGRAM DIRECTORS, INC.

RESOLUTION II

Relating to: Mandatory Use of Accredited Dosimetry

WHEREAS: Personnel dosimetry measurements serve as the basis for licensee and state regulatory agency records of external radiation doses to workers; and

WHEREAS: Accurate personnel dosimetry assessments are necessary for health, economic, and legal reasons; and

WHEREAS: It is well known that the accuracy of dose estimates reported by some personnel dosimetry processors has not been within acceptable limits; and

WHEREAS: Recent testing by the University of Michigan under contract to the NRC has substantiated poor performance by some personnel dosimetry processors; and

WHEREAS: A standard for testing the performance of personnel dosimetry processors has been developed and adopted by the Health Physics Society; and

WHEREAS: The Health Physics personnel dosimetry processor testing standard has been adopted by the American National Standards Institute, effective September, 1982; and

WHEREAS: A personnel dosimetry processor accreditation program has been established by the National Bureau of Standards' National Voluntary Laboratory Accreditation Program (NVLAP) for processors passing the testing standard; and

WHEREAS: A mandatory accreditation program is necessary as evidenced by the National Sanitation Foundation's (NSF) experience in certifying personnel dosimetry processors during the 1960s,
NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED:

That the Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors, Inc., urges its members to adopt a policy which mandates the use of accredited personnel dosimetry services.

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Original signed by Charles M. Hardin, Executive Secretary
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