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To: Industrial Radiography Licensees, Reciprocity Licensees
From: Eric Jameson, Environmental Radiation Specialist
Subject: **2009 Industrial Radiography Examination Schedule**

Industrial radiography I. D. cards will be issued to individuals who have successfully completed the Industrial Radiography Examination with the Department as described in Rule 391-3-17-.04(38). To apply for Industrial Radiography Examination you must submit to the Department a fully completed "Georgia Certification of Radiographer's Application Form" accompanied by two passport-sized photographs and a **\$85.00 non-refundable examination fee**. Additionally, with the application, an applicant must submit evidence of **(1)** successful completion of a 40-hour radiation safety course on the subjects outlined in Rule 391-3-17-.04(16)(g), **(2)** completion of a minimum of 2 months (320 hours) of on-the-job training as described in Rule 391-3-17-.04(16)(a), and **(3)** completion of a practical examination as indicated in Rule 391-3-17-.04(16)(b)(4). **Incomplete applications will not be accepted.**

Each individual will be permanently assigned an identification number. That identification number will be listed on the front of the card and will not change when replacing or renewing an ID card. If you are an out-of-state licensee and wish to work under reciprocity in Georgia, you will be required to take the examination or submit evidence that you have passed an Industrial Radiography Certifying Examination given by another certifying entity in accordance with the requirements of Rule 391-3-17-.04 Appendix A.

Examination Application

Attached is the examination application form. You may make copies of the blank application as necessary. Only applications with the original signature of the applicant will be accepted. Faxed applications will be accepted, provided that the signed original application follows in the mail. If you have a disability that requires an appropriate accommodation to take the examination, please complete and submit the form, "Request for Disability Accommodation".

You must submit the examination fee with your application. Make your check or money order payable to the Radioactive Materials Program, and send both the fee and application (including supporting documentation), with the original signature of the applicant, to the address at the top of the application. **If you do not submit the fee or the supporting documentation, your application will not be processed.**

Also attached is the **2009** Industrial Radiography Examination Schedule. It is very important that you designate your first and second choices for an examination date. Refer to the attached schedule for the address and telephone number of each examination location.

The deadline for submitting your application depends on the date you choose to take the examination. These deadlines allow us time to process your application and to notify you of your assigned examination date. You may submit your application as early as you wish for any of the scheduled examination dates.

Since space is limited for each examination, the dates will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis as we receive the applications. Every effort will be made to honor your first choice. We will send you a confirmation letter verifying your assigned examination date, and a map, address, and telephone number of the examination location.

If you are unable to take the examination on the assigned date, please notify us as soon as possible. This will allow us a chance to offer another person an opportunity to take your place. **If you fail to notify us at least 14 days prior to the examination date, you will forfeit your examination fee** and have to resubmit a new application, two new examination date choices, and a new examination fee.

Examination

The radioactive materials exam is the only exam offered by this Department. The three-hour examination consists of 125 multiple choice questions with four possible choices, one of which is correct. One hundred (100) of the questions count toward a passing score. The remaining 25 questions are presented for the purpose of validating new questions. The examination covers only the topics outlined in the Department Rule 391-3-17-.04(16)(g). The following four resources have been used in developing each examination and may be used for study purposes:

1. Georgia Rules and Regulations for Radioactive Materials, Rule 391-3-17-.01 [sub-part .01(2)];
2. Georgia Rules and Regulations for Radioactive Materials, Rule 391-3-17-.03, [sub-parts .03(2); .03(4); .03(5)(a)1.; .03(5)(e)1.; .03(5)(g); .03(5)(h); .03(5)(i); .03(6); .03(8)(a); .03(8)(b)1.; .03(9); .03(11); .03(12); and .03(14)];
3. Georgia Rules and Regulations for Radioactive Materials, Rule 391-3-17-.04; and
4. Working Safely in Gamma Radiography, NUREG/BR-0024; Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C., September 1982.

Resource numbers 1 through 3 can be obtained through our Department in hard copy, or can be downloaded from our internet site in PDF format at http://www.gaepd.org/Files_PDF/forms/pcb/2008_391-3-17.pdf.

Resource number 4 is available from the U.S. Government Printing Office. Call **202-512-2000** and request: Working Safely in Gamma Radiography, NUREG/BR-0024.

Examination Day Policies

Please arrive early enough to allow sufficient time to complete the registration, which involves checking photo IDs. All examinations will begin after the registration is completed. If you arrive after the examination begins, you will not be permitted to take the examination that day.

Any individual observed by a proctor to be compromising the integrity of the examination will be required to surrender the examination booklet, the answer sheet, and all scratch paper. Such individual will not be allowed to complete the examination, will forfeit the examination fee, and will leave the examination site to avoid disturbing other examinees. Such individual must wait 90 days before taking a new examination, and must submit a new application and **\$85.00 non-refundable examination fee**.

On the day of the examination, please bring a photo ID (e.g., driver's license), #2 pencils, and a calculator. Calculators or computers with preprogrammed data or formulas, including exposure calculators, are not permitted.

If you have any questions, please contact Eric Jameson at 404-362-2675.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Attachments: **2009** Industrial Radiography Examination Schedule
Application for Industrial Radiography Examination
Request for Disability Accommodation