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URGENT RECALL NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE ACTION TO INFORM ALL USERS OF THE RELEVANT SYSTEM(S) OF THESE ISSUES
AND HOW TO ADDRESS THEM

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To: Hospital Administrator
Director/Manager of Radiology

Subject: Product Safety Issues

Affected Products: GE OEC® 9800

Our records indicate that your facility has one or more GE OEC 9800 C-arm.

On November 8, 2006 GE Healthcare issued an Urgent Recall Notice after intermittent potential safety issues were identified that may occur with this product based upon feedback from some customers. As a result of the ongoing OEC 9800 product remediation program, additional mitigation steps were found that may reduce the occurrences of some of these issues (Slow Boot, No Boot, Data Loss, Data Mix) until the overall OEC 9800 remediation is completed.

GE Healthcare has discovered that if the OEC 9800 is powered down or shut off while the system is actively working to save or retrieve data to or from the internal hard drive, that there is an increase in the potential safety issues identified, specifically, System No Boot, System Slow to Boot, Patient Data Loss and Patient Data Mix.

Interim Solution:

- Users should exit out to the main menu and wait 1 minute before powering down the 9800.
- Do not remove power or unplug the 9800 until the system has been properly shut down.

It is important to follow all Power Off instructions and labeling in order to minimize the potential for corruption of the system's internal hard drive.

Permanent Solution:

GE Healthcare is actively working on solutions that will resolve these issues. When solutions become available, GE Healthcare Surgery will contact you, and without charge to you, remedy those issues.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding these issues, please do not hesitate to contact the service team for further information at 800-874-7378 option 8. Information is available at this number 24 hours per day, 7 days a week.

Thank You,

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