

CUSTOMER UPDATE Friday, 28 June 2019

Progress Update on Mo-99 production

ANSTO has maintained production of Mo-99 for all Australian customers over the past week despite the temporary shutdown of the ANM facility following a safety incident.

ANSTO's former Mo-99 manufacturing facility, known as Building 54, has helped ensure an uninterrupted supply of Gentech[®] Tc-99m generators to all Australian hospitals and clinics.

The regulatory approvals to operate Building 54 cease on 30 June and hence re-approval of Building 54 or recommencement of supply from ANM is required to continue the manufacture of Mo-99 from ANSTO.

ANSTO's investigation of the incident last Friday is complete, and is already resulting in improvements. We are now working closely with ARPANSA to determine when production can recommence.

It will take at least a week to complete the improvements. Therefore we have taken the decision to suspend all exports of bulk Mo-99 from Saturday 29 June until sufficient product is available.

The temporary suspension of Mo-99 supply to overseas customers will ensure Australian generator supplies through to Monday 8 July, while we continue to work on the longer-term solution.

ANSTO will share another progress update on this matter to all our customers and the broader nuclear medicine community in the first half of next week.

In the meantime, if you have any questions please contact us directly on the details below.

Contact ANSTO directly on 1800 251 572 for more information.

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