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1.0 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

1.1 Purpose

The purpose of this procedure is to provide a means of assuring that a radiological instrument is operating properly and that accurate performance criteria are established for each instrument used for developing quantitative radiological data. These criteria are typically source response and background levels but may include other parameters depending on the specific instrument type and application. Performance criteria are established by the Radiological Control (RADCON) Program Support Group, following the guidance found in CP4-RP-1309, *Setup for Operability Tests of Portable Field Instruments*.

After the criteria is established, instrument users or other designated personnel must routinely test the instrument performance, relative to these criteria. On each day, with the exception of the NaI equipped Ludlum model 177 used for area alarms in dosimetry which is tested monthly, the instrument is to be used for radiological measurement, and at other times when there is question or doubt regarding the instrument's performance. One example of conditions requiring more frequent performance tests is operation of a gas-flow proportional detector that has been disconnected from the gas supply. When operated in this mode, performance tests should be conducted at least hourly. This procedure describes the process for performing and documenting these routine operational response tests for field monitoring instruments.

1.2 Scope

This procedure applies to all Paducah Deactivation and Remediation (D&R) personnel performing operability tests of portable field instruments at the Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant. The D&R RADCON organization has organizational ownership and maintenance responsibility for this procedure. The approval authority for this document is the Radiation Protection Manager.

2.0 REFERENCES

2.1 Use References

- CP4-RP-1309, *Setup for Operability Tests of Portable Field Instruments*
- CP5-RP-2017, *Radiation Survey Technical Basis Document*

2.2 Source References

- American National Standards Institute (ANSI) N323A-1997, *American National Standard Radiation Protection Instrumentation Test and Calibration, Portable Survey Instrument*
- CP2-RP-0002, *Radiological Control Manual*
- CP3-RP-1302, *Radioactive Source Control*
- CP3-RP-1401, *Radiation Protection Program Records*
- CP5-RP-2016, *Radiological Protection Contamination Control and Monitoring Technical Basis Document*
- CP5-RP-2022, *Radiological Protection Instrumentation Operation Technical Basis Document*

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3.0 COMMITMENTS

None

4.0 RESPONSIBILITIES

Responsibilities are incorporated in Section 6.0.

5.0 GENERAL INFORMATION

5.1 Different source configurations may exist depending upon source and instrument availability or deployment. RADCON supervision must be contacted for direction when performing field operability tests in these locations.

5.2 Instruments should be response-tested on a minimum of one scale, preferably the one most likely to be used for actual field measurements.

5.3 Recorded information from **Section 6** should be placed on the correct daily instrument check sheet associated with the purpose of the meter. Different instruments can be set up with different purposes that would require the use of a different form depending on the goal. If it is unclear what form to use for setting up or daily field operation testing, contact RADCON supervision. See the forms used for instrument setup below. The forms may be filled out by hand, or by using the applicable RADCON electronic database that utilizes the forms below:

- **CP4-RP-1309 F01**, *Lapel Air Sampler Daily Instrument Performance Check Sheet*, is used for setup and field operation test of lapel air sampling equipment.
- **CP4-RP-1309 F02**, *Dual Instrument Daily Test Sheet*, is used for the setup and field operation test of instruments that are used for the purpose of detecting alpha and beta/gamma radiation simultaneously and are able to discriminate between the two reported in counts per minute.
- **CP4-RP-1309 F03**, *Contamination Instrument Daily Test Sheet (Lud 3, 12, 2221, 177, or equivalent)*, is used for the setup and field operation test of instruments that are used for the detection of radiation of one type or radiation types that cannot be discriminated and is reported in counts per minute.
- **CP4-RP-1309 F04**, *Dose Rate Instrument Daily Test*, is used for the setup and field operation test of instruments that are used for the detection of the dose rate of a radiation field.

5.4 If Part 1 of the daily test form (Initial Reference Response Test) indicates response tests are required for multiple scales or settings, **then** all necessary tests shall be performed. Due to the lack of convenient test sources and to avoid the potential for unnecessary radiation exposures, it may **NOT** be practical or safe to response test certain types of instruments (for example, neutron instruments) and/or upper scales on instruments for measuring high radiation levels. Daily test form blocks **NOT** used for this reason should be marked as “N/A”.

5.5 Field RCTs may change batteries in field instruments, as needed.

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- 5.6 Field instrument cords may be changed only by RADCON RCTs designated by RPPM as long as the cord length is the same as originally installed as stated on the instrument calibration label.
- 5.7 Part 1 of the instrument daily test forms (Initial Reference Response Test) contains the general instrument setup conditions and the acceptable performance information as established by the RCT designated by RPPM. Part 2 of the instrument daily test sheet is used to record instrument performance test results.
- 5.8 Following successful response and operability testing, the instrument may be used for its intended application.
- 5.9 **If** the response test result does **NOT** fall within the predetermined range specified, **then** the test may be repeated up to a maximum of three (3). **If** the response test results fail all three times **or** any other parameter is unsatisfactory, **then** tag the instrument out of service using **RP-F-0026, DO NOT USE Equipment Out of Service**, tag.
- 5.10 RCT designated by RPPM should be notified of meters that are tagged out of service so they can be taken for repair and replaced.
- 5.11 The results of each tested scale must be documented on the appropriate daily test sheet.
- 5.12 An alpha background of zero should be rounded to 0.1 for calculation purposes for Ludlum Models 2224-1, 2929, and 3030E equipped with Ludlum Model 43-10-1 probes.
- 5.13 An alpha background of zero should be rounded to 0.2 for calculation purposes for Ludlum Models 3, 12, 2221, 2224, and 2224-1 equipped with Ludlum Model 43-5, 43-89, and 43-93 probes.
- 5.14 The lowest level of detection (LLD) for dose rate instruments are listed in CP5-RP-2017, *Radiation Survey Technical Basis Document*.
- 5.15 The use of the Model 3030E on “battery power” **MUST** be approved by RADCON management.
- 5.16 A determination must be made to determine if a radiation source is affecting instrument background or source response prior to performing decontamination of an instrument probe.
- 5.17 Response check sources should be returned to the appropriate radioactive source storage location.

6.0 INSTRUCTIONS

6.1 Performance Testing of Ludlum Model 3, 12, 12-4, 177, 2224, and 2224-1 Field Instruments

NOTE:

This section applies to Ludlum Models 3, 12, 12-4, 177, 2224, and 2224-1 equipped with Ludlum Model 43-5, 44-9, 44-10, G-5 (FIDLER), 43-89, 43-93, 44-40, 44-40-2 probes, Bicron TPGM probes, NRD, or equivalent models.

Radiological Control Technician (RCT)

- 6.1.1 Verify the physical integrity of the instrument.

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- 6.1.2 Record the date and time of the response test.
- 6.1.3 Verify the calibration due date shown on the instrument daily test sheet, and the calibration due date indicated on the instrument calibration sticker are the same, **and** the calibration due date is **NOT** in the past, **and** the calibration sticker on the instrument is legible.
- A. **If** the calibration due dates do **NOT** match, **or** the calibration due date has expired, **or** the calibration sticker on the instrument is **NOT** legible **then** record a “U” in the correct box.
 - B. **If** the calibration due dates match, **and** the calibration due date has **NOT** expired, **and** the calibration sticker on the instrument is legible **then** record an “S” in the correct box.
- 6.1.4 Confirm that the attached probe matches the instrument, as applicable, based on the calibration label or other instrument label appearing on the instrument, and on the instrument daily test sheet.
- A. **If** the probe does **NOT** match, **then** record a “U” in the correct box.
 - B. **If** the probe does match, **then** mark an “S” in the correct box.
- 6.1.5 Confirm that the instrument set-up conditions are correct based on guidance provided in the applicable instrumentation operating procedure and/or the manufacturer’s operation manual.
- 6.1.6 **If** discrepancies are observed on the instrument daily test sheet, **then** remove the instrument from service **and** contact the RCT designated by RPPM.
- 6.1.7 Ensure the instrument response switch, if equipped, is set to “Slow”.

NOTE: Ludlum Model 177 instruments require the “BAT” button to be pressed to test the internal built in battery.

- 6.1.8 Turn the selector switch to the “BAT” position **and** ensure a needle response within the “BAT TEST” region of the instrument display.
- A. **If** batteries are unsatisfactory, **then** replace the batteries (except Ludlum 177) **and** repeat the battery check.
 - B. **If** battery check is still unsatisfactory, **then** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - C. **If** batteries are satisfactory, **then** mark an “S” in the proper box.

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NOTE:
Some instrument models are equipped with a switch that must be moved to the high voltage (“HV”) position to test the HV.

- 6.1.9** If equipped, **then** press and hold the HV button **and** compare the displayed voltage to the range listed on the instrument daily test sheet.
- A.** If the HV is unsatisfactory, **then** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - B.** If the HV is satisfactory, **then** record an “S” in the proper box.

NOTE:
Background and source response tests may be repeated a maximum of three (3) times prior to removal from service. The results of each test are documented on the instrument test form.

- 6.1.10** For analog instruments: Turn the selector switch to the lowest scale setting **and** allow the instrument to stabilize for thirty to forty seconds to establish a background reading.

NOTE:
For instruments equipped with dual use probes (for example, Ludlum Model 43-89 or 43-93) the background reading for alpha and beta must be recorded by switching the toggle switch to α or β .

- 6.1.11** For scaler-equipped instruments: Press the count button to begin a timed, one minute count.
- 6.1.12** Ensure the background does **NOT** exceed the maximum permissible background reading specified in CP4-RP-1309, *Setup for Operability Tests of Portable Field Instruments*.
- A.** If the background exceeds the maximum permissible background reading, **then** decontaminate the probe (if appropriate) **and** repeat.
 - B.** If the background still exceeds the maximum permissible background reading after decontamination attempt, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** mark a “U” in the proper box, **and** perform a survey of the instrument, when applicable (for example, high background or unresponsive instrument).
 - C.** If the background does not exceed the maximum permissible, **then** record the reading in the proper box.

NOTE:
The source for neutron instruments is currently located at C-415-T1. RADCON Supervision should be notified for additional guidance as necessary.

- 6.1.13** Obtain the appropriate source as listed on the instrument daily test sheet in the Source Radionuclide box and Source Identification Number box.

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- 6.1.14** For analog instruments, place the instrument probe in the correct geometry with the source and allow the instrument to stabilize for thirty to forty seconds to establish a source response reading.

NOTE:

For instruments equipped with dual use probes (for example, Ludlum Model 43-89 or 43-93) the source reading for alpha and beta must be recorded by switching the toggle switch to α or β .

- 6.1.15** For scaler-equipped instruments, place the instrument probe in the correct geometry with the source and press the count button to begin a timed, one minute count.
- 6.1.16** **If** the source response is out of range, **then** record the value in the appropriate box, **and** repeat step up to 3 times.
- A.** **If** the source response is out of range 3 times in a row, **then** document the reading in the correct units that pertain to the instrument model listed on the instrument daily test sheet, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.
- B.** **If** the source response is within the acceptable range, **then** document the reading in the correct units that pertain to the instrument model listed on the instrument daily test sheet.
- 6.1.17** Verify **NO** issues were found with the instrument during the field operability test
- A.** **If** issues were found with the instrument, **then** mark “U” in the proper box.
- B.** **If NO** issues were found with the instrument, **then** mark “S” in the proper box.
- 6.1.18** Initial the instrument calendar sticker.
- 6.1.19** Ensure all boxes on the instrument daily test sheet are properly filled **and** sign as performer, or click the “Submit Source Check Data” button on the RADCON electronic database.
- 6.1.20** Turn the instrument off **and** place the instrument into service.

6.2 Performance Testing of Ludlum Model 2221

NOTE:

This section applies to Ludlum Models 2221 equipped with Ludlum Model 43-5, 44-9, 43-89, 43-93, 44-40, 44-40-2, 44-10, 44-3, 44-17, G-5 (FIDLER) probes, Bicron TPGM probes, or equivalent models.

Radiological Control Technician (RCT)

- 6.2.1** Verify the physical integrity of the instrument.
- 6.2.2** Enter the date and time of the response test.
- 6.2.3** Confirm that the instrument has a current and legible calibration label. **If** it does **NOT** have a current and legible calibration label, **then** record a “U” in the correct box.

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- 6.2.4** Verify the calibration due date shown on the instrument daily test sheet, and the calibration due date indicated on the instrument calibration sticker are the same, **and** the calibration due date is **NOT** in the past, **and** the calibration sticker on the instrument is legible.
- A.** If the calibration due dates do **NOT** match, **or** the calibration due date has expired, **or** the calibration sticker on the instrument is **NOT** legible **then** record a “U” in the correct box.
 - B.** If the calibration due dates match, **and** the calibration due date has **NOT** expired, **and** the calibration sticker on the instrument is legible **then** record an “S” in the correct box.
- 6.2.5** Press the “BAT” button **and** ensure the reading on the display is ≥ 4.8 .
- A.** If batteries are unsatisfactory (<4.8), **then** replace the batteries and repeat the battery check.
 - B.** If battery check is still unsatisfactory, **then** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - C.** If batteries are satisfactory (≥ 4.8), **then** record an “S” in the proper box.
- 6.2.6** Press and hold the HV button **and** compare the displayed voltage to the range listed on the instrument daily test sheet
- A.** If the HV is unsatisfactory, **then** mark a “U” in the proper box.
 - B.** If the HV is satisfactory, **then** mark an “S” in the proper box.

NOTE:

Threshold is displayed in millivolts. A displayed reading of 356 equals 35.6 mV.

- 6.2.7** Press and hold the threshold (THR) button to test threshold **and** compare the displayed voltage to the range listed on the instrument daily test sheet.
- A.** If the threshold is unsatisfactory, **then** mark a “U” in the proper box.
 - B.** If the threshold is satisfactory, **then** mark an “S” in the proper box.
- 6.2.8** Confirm that the attached probe matches the instrument as indicated on the instrument daily test sheet, and on the instrument calibration label.
- A.** If the probe does **NOT** match, **then** record a “U” in the correct box.
 - B.** If the probe does match, **then** mark an “S” in the correct box.
- 6.2.9** Confirm that the instrument set-up conditions are correct based on guidance provided in the applicable instrumentation operating procedure and/or the manufacturer’s operation manual.

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- 6.2.10** If discrepancies are observed on the instrument daily test sheet, **then** remove the instrument from service **and** contact the RCT designated by RPPM.
- 6.2.11** Ensure the instrument response switch, if equipped, is set to “Slow”.
- 6.2.12** Ensure that the WIN switch is set to “OUT”, unless otherwise directed by RADCON management.
- 6.2.13** Ensure the “Digital Control” is set to “Scaler”.
- 6.2.14** Ensure the count time switch is set to 1 minute **and** press the count button to begin a timed, one minute count.
- 6.2.15** Document the background reading in CPM in the proper box.
- 6.2.16** Ensure the background does **NOT** exceed the maximum permissible background reading specified in CP4-RP-1309, *Setup for Operability Tests of Portable Field Instruments*.
- A.** If the background exceeds the maximum permissible background reading, **then** decontaminate the probe (if appropriate) **and** repeat.
 - B.** If the background still exceeds the maximum permissible background reading after decontamination attempt, **then** record the **reading** in the proper box, **and** mark a “U” in the proper box, **and** perform a survey of the instrument, when applicable (for example, high background or unresponsive instrument).
 - C.** If the background does not exceed the maximum permissible, **then** record the reading in the proper box.
- 6.2.17** Obtain the appropriate source as listed in Part 1 of CP4-RP-1309-F02 or CP4-RP-1309-F03 in the Source Radionuclide box and Source Identification Number box.
- 6.2.18** Place the instrument probe in the correct geometry with the source **and** press the count button to begin a timed, one minute count.
- 6.2.19** If the source response is out of range, **then** record the value in the appropriate box, **and** repeat step up to 3 times.
- A.** If the source response is out of range, **then** document the reading in the correct units that pertain to the instrument model listed on the instrument daily test sheet, **and** mark a “U” in the proper box.
 - B.** If the instrument is within the acceptable range, **then** document the reading in the correct units that pertain to the instrument model listed on the instrument daily test sheet.

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- 6.2.20** Verify **NO** issues were found with the instrument during the field operability test
- A.** If issues were found with the instrument, **then** mark “U” in the proper box.
- B.** If **NO** issues were found with the instrument, **then** mark “S” in the proper box.
- 6.2.21** Initial the instrument calendar.
- 6.2.22** Ensure all boxes on the instrument daily test sheet are properly filled **and** sign as performer, or click the “Submit Source Check Data” button on the RADCON electronic database.
- 6.2.23** Turn the instrument off **and** place the instrument into service.

6.3 Performance Testing of Ludlum Model 2224-1, 2929, or 3030E

NOTE:
This section applies to Ludlum Models 2224-1, 2929, 3030E, or equivalent, equipped with Ludlum Model 43-10-1 alpha-beta sample counter head, or equivalent.

RCT

- 6.3.1** Verify the physical integrity of the instrument.
- 6.3.2** Enter the date and time of the response test.
- 6.3.3** Verify the calibration due date shown on the instrument daily test sheet, and the calibration due date indicated on the instrument calibration sticker are the same, **and** the calibration due date is **NOT** in the past, **and** the calibration sticker on the instrument is legible.
- A.** If the calibration due dates do **NOT** match, **or** the calibration due date has expired, **or** the calibration sticker on the instrument is **NOT** legible **then** record a “U” in the correct box.
- B.** If the calibration due dates match, **and** the calibration due date has **NOT** expired, **and** the calibration sticker on the instrument is legible **then** record an “S” in the correct box.

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NOTE:

The Ludlum Model 3030E is equipped with an internal battery that can power the unit for approximately eight (8) hours.

To maintain the life of the internal battery, it is recommended that the instrument be constantly connected to line power with the power switch in the ON position, even when the instrument is **NOT** in use.

When the instrument is used without line power, adequate charge time must be allowed for the internal battery to recharge. At a minimum, allow one hour of charge time for each hour of use. If the battery is inadvertently allowed to fully discharge, and is left in that state, constant charging for 500 hours (three weeks) may be required for battery recovery. The use of the Model 3030E on “battery power” **MUST** be approved by RADCON management.

- 6.3.4** For Ludlum Model 2224-1 only: turn the selector switch to the “BAT” position **and** ensure a needle response within the “BAT TEST” region of the instrument display.
- A.** **If** batteries are unsatisfactory, **then** replace the batteries and repeat the battery check.
 - B.** **If** battery check is still unsatisfactory, **then** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - C.** **If** batteries are satisfactory, **then** mark as “S” in the proper box.

NOTE:

Per the manufacturer, the high voltage on a Ludlum Model 3030E **CANNOT** be checked by the user.

- 6.3.5** Insert and close sample tray prior to obtaining HV reading. Observe the HV displayed, if equipped, **and** compare to the ranges/specifications listed on the instrument daily test sheet. For Ludlum Model 2224-1 move the toggle switch to the HV position and hold to display the HV.
- A.** **If** the HV is unsatisfactory, **then** mark a “U” in the proper box.
 - B.** **If** the HV is satisfactory, **then** mark an “S” in the proper box.
- 6.3.6** Verify that the tamper indicator on the Vernier adjustment knob, if equipped, is in place and intact.
- A.** **If** the Vernier tamper indicator is missing or is broken, **then** mark a “U” in the proper box.
 - B.** **If** the Vernier tamper indicator is not missing or broken, **then** mark an “S” in the proper box.
- 6.3.7** Confirm that the attached probe matches the instrument as indicated in Part 1 of CP4-RP-1309-F02 **and** on the instrument calibration label or other instrument label.
- A.** **If** the probe does **NOT** match, **then** mark a “U” in the correct box.
 - B.** **If** the probe does match, **then** mark an “S” in the correct box.

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- 6.3.8** Confirm that the instrument set-up conditions are correct based on guidance provided in the applicable instrumentation operating procedure and/or the manufacturer’s operation manual.
- 6.3.9** **If** discrepancies are observed on the instrument daily test sheet, **then** remove the instrument from service, **and** contact the RCT who maintains instruments as designated by RPPM.

NOTE:
For the Ludlum Model 2929 and 3030E, perform one (30) minute background count.
For Ludlum Model 3030E, for 30 minute background, ensure device time selector is set to “PC”.
For the Ludlum Model 2224-1, perform one (5) minute background count.
An alpha and beta/gamma background is performed simultaneously.

- 6.3.10** Perform a background count for the instrument.
- 6.3.11** Convert the background counts to CPM and document the background reading for alpha and beta/gamma in the proper box.
- 6.3.12** Ensure the background does **NOT** exceed the maximum permissible reading specified in CP4-RP-1309.
 - A.** **If** the background exceeds the maximum permissible background reading, **then** decontaminate the probe (if appropriate) **and** repeat.
 - B.** **If** the background still exceeds the maximum permissible background reading, **then** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - C.** **If** the background is satisfactory, **then** record an “S” in the proper box.

NOTE:
A timed, one minute count is used for Ludlum Model 2224-1, 2929, and 3030E source response checks. Response checks may begin with the alpha source or beta/gamma source.

- 6.3.13** Obtain the appropriate source as listed in Part 1 of CP4-RP-1309-F02 in the Source Radionuclide box and Source Identification Number box.
- 6.3.14** Place an alpha source in the sample drawer **and** press the count button to begin a timed, one minute count.
- 6.3.15** **If** the source response is out of range, **then** record the value in the appropriate box, **and** repeat step up to 3 times.
 - A.** **If** the source response is out of range, **then** document the reading in the correct units that pertain to the instrument model listed on the instrument daily test sheet **and** mark a “U” in the proper box.

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B. If the instrument is within the acceptable range, **then** document the reading in the correct units that pertain to the instrument model listed on the instrument daily test sheet.

6.3.16 Place a beta/gamma source in the sample drawer **and** press the count button to begin a timed, one minute count.

6.3.17 If the source response is out of range, **then** repeat the source response test.

A. If the source response is out of range, **then** document the reading in the correct units that pertain to the instrument model listed on the instrument daily test sheet **and** mark a “U” in the proper box.

B. If the instrument is within the acceptable range, **then** document the reading in the correct units that pertain to the instrument model listed on the instrument daily test sheet.

6.3.18 Verify **NO** issues were found with the instrument during the field operability test

A. If issues were found with the instrument, **then** mark “U” in the proper box.

B. If **NO** issues were found with the instrument, **then** mark “S” in the proper box.

6.3.19 Initial the instrument calendar.

6.3.20 Ensure all boxes on the instrument daily test sheet are properly filled **and** sign as performer, or click the “Submit Source Check Data” button on the RADCON electronic database.

6.3.21 Turn the instrument off **and** place the instrument into service.

6.4 Performance Testing of RO-20 Ion Chamber Instruments

RCT

6.4.1 Verify the physical integrity of the instrument.

6.4.2 Enter the date and time of the response test.

6.4.3 Verify the calibration due date shown on the instrument daily test sheet, and the calibration due date indicated on the instrument calibration sticker are the same, **and** the calibration due date is **NOT** in the past, **and** the calibration sticker on the instrument is legible.

A. If the calibration due dates do **NOT** match, **or** the calibration due date has expired, **or** the calibration sticker on the instrument is **NOT** legible **then** record a “U” in the correct box.

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- B.** If the calibration due dates match, **and** the calibration due date has **NOT** expired, **and** the calibration sticker on the instrument is legible **then** record an “S” in the correct box.

6.4.4 Ensure the instrument information on the instrument daily test sheet matches what is shown on the instrument (for example, serial number, location, calibration due date).

NOTE:

A 30-minute adjustment period should be given to RO-20 and RO-20AA instruments if it has experienced a temperature change of approximately +/- 20° F prior to performance test.

6.4.5 Turn the instrument on **and** allow it to warm up properly.

6.4.6 Turn the selector switch to the Battery 1 position **and** ensure a needle response within the green “Battery Check” arc on the display.

- A.** If batteries are unsatisfactory, **then** replace the batteries **and** repeat the battery check.

- B.** If battery check is still unsatisfactory, **then** record a “U” in the proper box.

- C.** If batteries are satisfactory, then mark an “S” in the proper box.

6.4.7 Turn the selector switch to the Battery 2 position **and** ensure a needle response within the green “Battery Check” arc on the display.

- A.** If batteries are unsatisfactory, **then** replace the batteries **and** repeat the battery check.

- B.** If battery check is still unsatisfactory, **then** record a “U” in the proper box.

- C.** If batteries are satisfactory, then mark an “S” in the proper box.

6.4.8 Turn the selector switch to the Zero position **and** rotate the adjustment knob until the instrument reads “0”. **If** the instrument **CANNOT** be zeroed, **then** mark “U” in the proper box.

6.4.9 Turn the selector switch to its lowest scale setting.

6.4.10 Document a background reading (with window open), after allowing the instrument to stabilize for approximately twenty (20) seconds.

- A.** If the background reading is ≥ 0.5 mR/hr, **then** mark a “U” in the proper box.

- B.** If the background reading is < 0.5 mR/hr, **then** record “< 0.5” in the proper box.

6.4.11 Obtain the appropriate source as listed on the instrument daily test sheet in the Source Radionuclide box and Source Identification Number box.

6.4.12 Open the retractable beta window.

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NOTE:

Dose rate instruments are typically setup and response checked with a Sr-90 thumbwheel source, but may be setup with different sources depending upon setup location. The instructions below are written for setup locations equipped with Sr-90 thumbwheel sources. The detector is typically positioned with the dimples or plus signs lined up with the corresponding markings on a source jig

- 6.4.13 Ensure the selector switch is in the “5 mR/hr” position.
- 6.4.14 Ensure thumbwheel source is in the “0-5 mR/hr” position **and** expose the source by depressing the slide.
- 6.4.15 Ensure the source response as indicated on the instrument face is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.
 - A. **If** the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - B. **If** the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.
- 6.4.16 Rotate the selector switch to the “50 mR/hr” position.
- 6.4.17 Ensure thumbwheel source is in the “0-50 mR/hr” position **and** expose the source by depressing the slide.
- 6.4.18 Ensure the source response as indicated on the instrument face is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.
 - A. **If** the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - B. **If** the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.
- 6.4.19 Rotate the selector switch to the “500 mR/hr” position.
- 6.4.20 Ensure thumbwheel source is in the “0-500 mR/hr” position **and** expose the source by depressing the slide.
- 6.4.21 Ensure the source response as indicated on the instrument face is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.
 - A. **If** the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - B. **If** the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.
- 6.4.22 Rotate the selector switch to the “5R/hr” position.

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- 6.4.23 Ensure thumbwheel source is in the “0-5000 mR/hr” position **and** expose the source by depressing the slide.
- 6.4.24 Ensure the source response as indicated on the instrument face is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.
 - A. If the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - B. If the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.
- 6.4.25 Rotate the selector switch to the “50 R/hr” position.
- 6.4.26 Ensure thumbwheel source is in the “Offscale” position **and** expose the source by depressing the slide.
- 6.4.27 Ensure the source response as indicated on the instrument face is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.
 - A. If the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - B. If the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.

NOTE:
Step 6.4.28 through 6.4.31 are written for setup locations equipped with Cs-137 button sources.

- 6.4.28 Rotate the selector switch to the “5 mR/h” position.
- 6.4.29 Place the instrument in the correct geometry near the source as indicated by the markings on the source jig.
- 6.4.30 Allow the instrument to stabilize.
- 6.4.31 Ensure the source response, as indicated on the instrument face, is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.
 - C. If the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - D. If the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.
- 6.4.32 Close the retractable beta window.
- 6.4.33 Verify **NO** issues were found with the instrument during the field operability test
 - A. If issues were found with the instrument, **then** mark “U” in the proper box.
 - B. If **NO** issues were found with the instrument, **then** mark “S” in the proper box.

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- 6.4.34 Initial the instrument calendar.
- 6.4.35 Ensure all boxes on the instrument daily test sheet are properly filled **and** sign as performer, or click the “Submit Source Check Data” button on the RADCON electronic database.
- 6.4.36 Turn the instrument off **and** place the instrument into service.

6.5 Performance Testing of Bicon RSO-50E Ion Chamber Instruments

RCT

- 6.5.1 Verify the physical integrity of the instrument.
- 6.5.2 Enter the date and time of the response test.
- 6.5.3 Verify the calibration due date shown on the instrument daily test sheet, and the calibration due date indicated on the instrument calibration sticker are the same, **and** the calibration due date is **NOT** in the past, **and** the calibration sticker on the instrument is legible.
 - A. **If** the calibration due dates do **NOT** match, **or** the calibration due date has expired, **or** the calibration sticker on the instrument is **NOT** legible **then** record a “U” in the correct box.
 - B. **If** the calibration due dates match, **and** the calibration due date has **NOT** expired, **and** the calibration sticker on the instrument is legible **then** record an “S” in the correct box.
- 6.5.4 Ensure the instrument information on the instrument daily test sheet matches what is shown on the instrument (for example, serial number, location, calibration due date).

NOTE:

A 30-minute adjustment period should be allowed for temperature changes of approximately 20°F for Bicon RSO-50E instruments.

- 6.5.5 Turn the instrument on **and** allow it to warm up properly.
- 6.5.6 Turn the selector switch to the Battery position **and** ensure a needle response within the “Bat. ok” arc on the display.
 - A. **If** batteries are unsatisfactory, **then** replace the batteries **and** repeat the battery check.
 - B. **If** battery check is still unsatisfactory, **then** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - C. **If** batteries are satisfactory, **then** mark an “S” in the proper box.

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- 6.5.7** Turn the selector switch to the Zero position **and** rotate the adjustment knob until the instrument reads “0”. **If** the instrument **CANNOT** be zeroed, **then** mark “U” in the proper box.
- 6.5.8** Turn the selector switch to its lowest scale setting.
- 6.5.9** Document a background reading (with window open) after allowing the instrument to stabilize for approximately twenty (20) seconds.
- A.** **If** the background reading is ≥ 0.5 mR/hr, **then** mark a “U” in the proper box.
- B.** **If** the background reading is < 0.5 mR/hr, **then** record “< 0.5” in the proper box.
- 6.5.10** Obtain the appropriate source as listed on the instrument daily test sheet in the Source Radionuclide box and Source Identification Number box.
- 6.5.11** Open the retractable beta window.

NOTE:

Dose rate instruments are typically setup and response checked with a Sr-90 thumbwheel source, but may be setup with different sources depending upon setup location. The instructions below are written for setup locations equipped with Sr-90 thumbwheel sources. The detector is typically positioned with the dimples or plus signs lined up with the corresponding markings on a source jig

- 6.5.12** Rotate the selector switch to the “5 mR/hr” position.
- 6.5.13** Ensure thumbwheel source is in the “0-5 mR/hr” position **and** expose the source by depressing the slide.
- 6.5.14** Ensure the source response as indicated on the instrument face is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.
- A.** **If** the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.
- B.** **If** the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.
- 6.5.15** Rotate the selector switch to the “50 mR/hr” position.
- 6.5.16** Ensure thumbwheel source is in the “0-50 mR/hr” position **and** expose the source by depressing the slide.
- 6.5.17** Ensure the source response as indicated on the instrument face is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.
- A.** **If** the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.
- B.** **If** the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.

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- 6.5.18 Rotate the selector switch to the “500 mR/hr” position.
- 6.5.19 Ensure thumbwheel source is in the “0-500 mR/hr” position **and** expose the source by depressing the slide.
- 6.5.20 Ensure the source response as indicated on the instrument face is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.
- A. If the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.
- B. If the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.
- 6.5.21 Rotate the selector switch to the “5R/hr” position.
- 6.5.22 Ensure thumbwheel source is in the “0-5000 mR/hr” position **and** expose the source by depressing the slide.
- 6.5.23 Ensure the source response as indicated on the instrument face is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.
- A. If the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.
- B. If the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.
- 6.5.24 Rotate the selector switch to the “50 R/hr” position.
- 6.5.25 Ensure thumbwheel source is in the “Offscale” position **and** expose the source by depressing the slide.
- 6.5.26 Ensure the source response as indicated on the instrument face is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.
- A. If the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.
- B. If the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.

NOTE:

Step 6.5.27 through 6.5.30 are written for setup locations equipped with Cs-137 button sources.

- 6.5.27 Rotate the selector switch to the “5mR/h” position.
- 6.5.28 Place the instrument in the correct geometry near the source as indicated by the markings on the source jig.
- 6.5.29 Allow the instrument to stabilize.

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6.5.30 Ensure the source response, as indicated on the instrument face, is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.

C. If the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.

D. If the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.

6.5.31 Close the retractable beta window.

6.5.32 Verify **NO** issues were found with the instrument during the field operability test

A. If issues were found with the instrument, **then** mark “U” in the proper box.

B. If **NO** issues were found with the instrument, **then** mark “S” in the proper box.

6.5.33 Initial the instrument calendar.

6.5.34 Ensure all boxes on the instrument daily test sheet are properly filled **and** sign as performer, or click the “Submit Source Check Data” button on the RADCON electronic database.

6.5.35 Turn the instrument off **and** place the instrument into service.

6.6 Performance Testing of Bicon RSO-5 Ion Chamber Instruments

RCT

6.6.1 Verify the physical integrity of the instrument.

6.6.2 Enter the date and time of the response test.

6.6.3 Verify the calibration due date shown on the instrument daily test sheet, and the calibration due date indicated on the instrument calibration sticker are the same, **and** the calibration due date is **NOT** in the past, **and** the calibration sticker on the instrument is legible.

A. If the calibration due dates do **NOT** match, **or** the calibration due date has expired, **or** the calibration sticker on the instrument is **NOT** legible, **then** record a “U” in the correct box.

B. If the calibration due dates match, **and** the calibration due date has **NOT** expired, **and** the calibration sticker on the instrument is legible, **then** record an “S” in the correct box.

6.6.4 Ensure the instrument information on the instrument daily test sheet matches what is shown on the instrument (for example, serial number, location, calibration due date).

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NOTE:

A 30-minute adjustment period should be allowed for temperature changes of approximately 20°F for Bicon RSO-5 instruments.

- 6.6.5 Turn instrument on and allow it to warm up properly.
- 6.6.6 Turn the selector switch to the Battery position **and** ensure a needle response within the “Bat. ok” arc on the display.
 - A. **If** batteries are unsatisfactory, **then** replace the batteries **and** repeat the battery check.
 - B. **If** battery check is still unsatisfactory, **then** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - C. **If** batteries are satisfactory, **then** mark an “S” in the proper box.
- 6.6.7 Turn the selector switch to the Zero position **and** rotate the adjustment knob until the instrument reads “0”. **If** the instrument **CANNOT** be zeroed, **then** mark “U” in the proper box.
- 6.6.8 Turn the selector switch to its lowest scale setting.
- 6.6.9 Document a background reading (with window open) after allowing the instrument to stabilize for approximately twenty (20) seconds.
 - A. **If** the background reading is ≥ 0.5 mR/hr, **then** mark a “U” in the proper box.
 - B. **If** the background reading is < 0.5 mR/hr, **then** record “< 0.5” in the proper box.
- 6.6.10 Obtain the appropriate source as listed on the instrument daily test sheet in the Source Radionuclide box and Source Identification Number box.
- 6.6.11 Open the retractable beta window.

NOTE:

Dose rate instruments are typically setup and response checked with a Sr-90 thumbwheel source, but may be setup with different sources depending upon setup location. The instructions below are written for setup locations equipped with Sr-90 thumbwheel sources. The detector is typically positioned with the dimples or plus signs lined up with the corresponding markings on a source jig

- 6.6.12 Rotate the selector switch to the “5 mR/hr” position.
- 6.6.13 Ensure thumbwheel source is in the “0-5 mR/hr” position **and** expose the source by depressing the slide.

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- 6.6.14** Ensure the source response as indicated on the instrument face is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.
- A.** If the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - B.** If the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.
- 6.6.15** Rotate the selector switch to the “50 mR/hr” position.
- 6.6.16** Ensure thumbwheel source is in the “0-50 mR/hr” position **and** expose the source by depressing the slide.
- 6.6.17** Ensure the source response as indicated on the instrument face is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.
- A.** If the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - B.** If the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.
- 6.6.18** Rotate the selector switch to the “500 mR/hr” position.
- 6.6.19** Ensure thumbwheel source is in the “0-500 mR/hr” position **and** expose the source by depressing the slide.
- 6.6.20** Ensure the source response as indicated on the instrument face is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.
- A.** If the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - B.** If the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.
- 6.6.21** Rotate the selector switch to the “5000 mR/hr” position.
- 6.6.22** Ensure thumbwheel source is in the “0-5000 mR/hr” position **and** expose the source by depressing the slide.
- 6.6.23** Ensure the source response as indicated on the instrument face is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.
- A.** If the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - B.** If the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.

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NOTE:
Step 6.6.24 through 6.6.28 are written for setup locations equipped with Cs-137 button sources.

- 6.6.24 Rotate the selector switch to the “5 mR/h” position.
- 6.6.25 Place the instrument in the correct geometry near the source as indicated by the markings on the source jig.
- 6.6.26 Allow the instrument to stabilize.
- 6.6.27 Ensure the source response as indicated on the instrument face is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.
 - A. If the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - B. If the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.
- 6.6.28 Close the retractable beta window.
- 6.6.29 Verify **NO** issues were found with the instrument during the field operability test
 - A. If issues were found with the instrument, **then** mark “U” in the proper box.
 - B. If **NO** issues were found with the instrument, **then** mark “S” in the proper box.
- 6.6.30 Initial the instrument calendar.
- 6.6.31 Ensure all boxes on the instrument daily test sheet are properly filled **and** sign as performer, or click the “Submit Source Check Data” button on the RADCON electronic database.
- 6.6.32 Turn the instrument off **and** place the instrument into service.

6.7 Performance Testing of Bieron Microrem

NOTE:
Microrem instruments are typically setup and response checked using a Sr-90 thumbwheel source or Cs-137 button source.
Ensure radioactive sources are stored when obtaining a background reading on a microrem instrument.
Ensure the “+” marks on the sides of the instrument properly align with the marks on the source jigs when source checking a microrem instrument.

RCT

- 6.7.1 Verify the physical integrity of the instrument.
- 6.7.2 Enter the date and time of the response test.

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- 6.7.3** Verify the calibration due date shown on the instrument daily test sheet, and the calibration due date indicated on the instrument calibration sticker are the same, **and** the calibration due date is **NOT** in the past, **and** the calibration sticker on the instrument is legible.
- C.** If the calibration due dates do **NOT** match, **or** the calibration due date has expired, **or** the calibration sticker on the instrument is **NOT** legible **then** record a “U” in the correct box.
 - D.** If the calibration due dates match, **and** the calibration due date has **NOT** expired, **and** the calibration sticker on the instrument is legible **then** record an “S” in the correct box.
- 6.7.4** Ensure the instrument information on the instrument daily test sheet matches what is shown on the instrument (for example, serial number, location, calibration due date).
- 6.7.5** Turn the instrument on **and** allow it to warm up properly.
- 6.7.6** Turn the selector switch to the Battery position **and** ensure a needle response within the “Bat. ok” arc on the display.
- A.** If batteries are unsatisfactory, **then** replace the batteries **and** repeat the battery check.
 - B.** If battery check is still unsatisfactory, **then** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - C.** If batteries are satisfactory, then mark an “S” in the proper box.
- 6.7.7** Turn the selector switch to the HV (high voltage) position **and** ensure a needle response within the “HV ok” arc on the display.
- A.** If the HV is unsatisfactory, **then** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - B.** If the HV is satisfactory, **then** record an “S” in the proper box.
- 6.7.8** Turn the selector switch to its lowest scale setting (such as, “x0.1”).
- 6.7.9** Document a background reading after allowing the instrument to stabilize for approximately twenty (20) seconds.
- A.** If the background reading is $\geq 9 \mu\text{R/hr}$, **then** ensure sources are stored away from the instrument, **and** mark a “U” in the proper box **or** move sources away from instrument and repeat.
 - B.** If the background reading is $< 9 \mu\text{R/hr}$, **then** record “< 9” in the proper box.
- 6.7.10** Obtain the appropriate source as listed on the instrument daily test sheet in the Source Radionuclide box and Source Identification Number box.

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NOTE:

Step **6.7.11** through **6.7.13** are written for setup locations equipped with Sr-90 thumbwheel sources. A Source jig with poly shielding may be required.

- 6.7.11** Rotate the selector switch to the “x1” position.
- 6.7.12** Ensure thumbwheel source is in the “0-50 mR/hr” position. Expose the source by depressing the slide.
- 6.7.13** Ensure the source response as indicated on the instrument face is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.
 - A.** If the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - B.** If the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.

NOTE:

Step **6.7.14** through **6.7.16** are written for setup locations equipped with Cs-137 button sources. Source jigs may be required.

- 6.7.14** Rotate the selector switch to the “x1” position.
- 6.7.15** Place the instrument in the correct geometry near the source as indicated by the markings on the source jig.
- 6.7.16** Ensure the source response as indicated on the instrument face is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.
 - E.** If the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - F.** If the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.
- 6.7.17** Verify **NO** issues were found with the instrument during the field operability test
 - A.** If issues were found with the instrument, **then** mark “U” in the proper box.
 - B.** If **NO** issues were found with the instrument, **then** mark “S” in the proper box.
- 6.7.18** Initial the instrument calendar.
- 6.7.19** Ensure all boxes on the instrument daily test sheet are properly filled **and** sign as performer, or click the “Submit Source Check Data” button on the RADCON electronic database.
- 6.7.20** Turn the instrument off **and** place the instrument into service.

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6.8 Performance Testing of Eberline/Automess Model 6112B Teletector

NOTE:

Response tests must be performed with the instrument cap removed.

RCT

- 6.8.1 Verify the physical integrity of the instrument.
- 6.8.2 Enter the date and time of the response test.
- 6.8.3 Verify the calibration due date shown on the instrument daily test sheet, and the calibration due date indicated on the instrument calibration sticker are the same, **and** the calibration due date is **NOT** in the past, **and** the calibration sticker on the instrument is legible.
 - A. **If** the calibration due dates do **NOT** match, **or** the calibration due date has expired, **or** the calibration sticker on the instrument is **NOT** legible, **then** record a “U” in the correct box.
 - B. **If** the calibration due dates match, **and** the calibration due date has **NOT** expired, **and** the calibration sticker on the instrument is legible, **then** record an “S” in the correct box.
- 6.8.4 Ensure the instrument information on the instrument daily test sheet matches what is shown on the instrument (for example, serial number, location, calibration due date).
- 6.8.5 Turn the instrument on **and** allow it to warm up properly.
- 6.8.6 Turn the selector switch to the Battery position **and** ensure a needle response within the battery line on the display.
 - C. **If** batteries are unsatisfactory, **then** replace the batteries **and** repeat the battery check.
 - D. **If** battery check is still unsatisfactory, **then** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - E. **If** batteries are satisfactory, then mark an “S” in the proper box.
- 6.8.7 Turn the selector switch to its lowest scale setting (such as, “2 mR/hr”).
- 6.8.8 Document a background reading, after allowing the instrument to stabilize for approximately twenty (20) seconds.
 - A. **If** the background reading is ≥ 0.1 mR/hr, **then** mark a “U” in the proper box.
 - B. **If** the background reading is < 0.1 mR/hr, **then** record “< 0.1” in the proper box.
- 6.8.9 Obtain the appropriate source as listed on the instrument daily test sheet in the Source Radionuclide box and Source Identification Number box.

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NOTE:

The instructions below are written for setup locations equipped with Sr-90 thumbwheel sources.

- 6.8.10** Turn the selector switch to the 2mR/hr. position.
- 6.8.11** Ensure thumbwheel source is in the “0-5 mR/hr” position. Do **NOT** expose the source by depressing the slide.
- 6.8.12** Ensure the source response as indicated on the instrument face is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.
 - A.** **If** the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - B.** **If** the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.
- 6.8.13** Initial the instrument calendar.
- 6.8.14** Ensure all boxes on the instrument daily test sheet are properly filled **and** sign as performer, or click the “Submit Source Check Data” button on the RADCON electronic database.
- 6.8.15** Turn the instrument off **and** place the instrument into service.

NOTE:

The instructions below are written for setup locations equipped with Cs-137 button sources.

- 6.8.16** Turn the selector switch to the “2mR/hr.” position.
- 6.8.17** Obtain the appropriate source as listed on the instrument daily test sheet in the Source Radionuclide box and Source Identification Number box.
- 6.8.18** Place the end of the instrument probe directly onto the surface of the button source **and** allow the instrument to stabilize.
- 6.8.19** Ensure the source response as indicated on the instrument face is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.
 - A.** **If** the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - B.** **If** the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.
- 6.8.20** Verify **NO** issues were found with the instrument during the field operability test
 - A.** **If** issues were found with the instrument, **then** mark “U” in the proper box.
 - B.** **If NO** issues were found with the instrument, **then** mark “S” in the proper box.

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- 6.8.21 Initial the instrument calendar.
- 6.8.22 Ensure all boxes on the instrument daily test sheet are properly filled **and** sign as performer, or click the “Submit Source Check Data” button on the RADCON electronic database.
- 6.8.23 Turn the instrument off **and** place the instrument into service.

6.9 Performance Testing of Automess Model 6150AD2 Teletector

NOTE:
Response tests must be performed with the instrument cap removed.

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- 6.9.1 Verify the physical integrity of the instrument.
- 6.9.2 Enter the date **and** time of the response test.
- 6.9.3 Verify the calibration due date shown on the instrument daily test sheet, and the calibration due date indicated on the instrument calibration sticker are the same, **and** the calibration due date is **NOT** in the past, **and** the calibration sticker on the instrument is legible.
 - A. **If** the calibration due dates do **NOT** match, **or** the calibration due date has expired, **or** the calibration sticker on the instrument is **NOT** legible, **then** record a “U” in the correct box.
 - B. **If** the calibration due dates match, **and** the calibration due date has **NOT** expired, **and** the calibration sticker on the instrument is legible, **then** record an “S” in the correct box.
- 6.9.4 Ensure the instrument information on the instrument daily test sheet matches what is shown on the instrument (for example, serial number, location, calibration due date).
- 6.9.5 Turn the instrument on **and** allow it to warm up properly.

NOTE:
Battery voltage will be indicated when the instrument is switched on. Using the arrow button, the “Battery Voltage and Battery Monitoring” function can be selected to view the voltage of the 9-volt battery at any time. Voltages below 5.5 volts produce a battery warning consisting of the flashing battery symbol in the upper right corner of the LCD and a continuous alarm tone.

- 6.9.6 Verify that there is **NO** low battery indicator on the display of the instrument.
 - C. **If** low battery indicator is present, **then** replace the batteries **and** repeat the battery check.
 - D. **If** low battery indicator is still present, **then** record a “U” in the proper box.

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E. If low battery indicator is **NOT** present, then mark an “S” in the proper box.

6.9.7 Document a background reading, after allowing the instrument to stabilize for approximately two to eight (2-8) seconds.

A. If the background reading is ≥ 0.2 mR/hr, **then** mark a “U” in the proper box.

B. If the background reading is < 0.2 mR/hr, **then** record “< 0.2” in the proper box.

6.9.8 Obtain the appropriate source as listed on the instrument daily test sheet in the Source Radionuclide box and Source Identification Number box.

NOTE:

The instructions below are written for setup locations equipped with Sr-90 thumbwheel sources.

6.9.9 Place the source into the appropriate geometry for the response test.

6.9.10 Insert the slightly extended instrument into appropriate geometry for the response test.

6.9.11 Ensure thumbwheel source is in the “0-5 mR/hr” position **and** expose the source by depressing the slide.

6.9.12 Ensure the source response as indicated on the instrument face is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.

A. If the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.

B. If the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.

6.9.13 Ensure thumbwheel source is in the “0-50 mR/hr” position **and** expose the source by depressing the slide.

6.9.14 Ensure the source response as indicated on the instrument face is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.

A. If the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.

B. If the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.

6.9.15 Ensure thumbwheel source is in the “0-500 mR/hr” position **and** expose the source by depressing the slide.

6.9.16 Ensure the source response as indicated on the instrument face is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.

A. If the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.

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- B.** If the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.
- 6.9.17** Ensure thumbwheel source is in the “0-5000 mR/hr” position **and** expose the source by depressing the slide.
- 6.9.18** Ensure the source response as indicated on the instrument face is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.
 - A.** If the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - B.** If the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.
- 6.9.19** Ensure thumbwheel source is in the “Offscale” position **and** expose the source by depressing the slide.
- 6.9.20** Ensure the source response as indicated on the instrument face is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.
 - A.** If the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - B.** If the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.
- 6.9.21** Initial the instrument calendar.
- 6.9.22** Ensure all boxes on the instrument daily test sheet are properly filled **and** sign as performer, or click the “Submit Source Check Data” button on the RADCON electronic database.
- 6.9.23** Turn the instrument off **and** place the instrument into service.

<p>NOTE: The instructions below are written for setup locations equipped with Cs-137 button sources.</p>

- 6.9.24** Obtain the appropriate source as listed on the instrument daily test sheet in the Source Radionuclide box and Source Identification Number box.
- 6.9.25** Ensure the source response as indicated on the instrument face is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.
 - A.** If the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - B.** If the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.
- 6.9.26** Verify **NO** issues were found with the instrument during the field operability test
 - A.** If issues were found with the instrument, **then** mark “U” in the proper box.

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B. If **NO** issues were found with the instrument, **then** mark “S” in the proper box.

6.9.27 Initial the instrument calendar.

6.9.28 Ensure all boxes on the instrument daily test sheet are properly filled **and** sign as performer, or click the “Submit Source Check Data” button on the RADCON electronic database.

6.9.29 Turn the instrument off **and** place the instrument into service.

6.10 Performance Testing of Eberline/Thermo Scientific ASP-2E Neutron Instrument

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6.10.1 Verify the physical integrity of the instrument.

6.10.2 Enter the date **and** time of the response test.

6.10.3 Verify the calibration due date shown on the instrument daily test sheet, and the calibration due date indicated on the instrument calibration sticker are the same, **and** the calibration due date is **NOT** in the past, **and** the calibration sticker on the instrument is legible.

A. If the calibration due dates do **NOT** match, **or** the calibration due date has expired, **or** the calibration sticker on the instrument is **NOT** legible **then** record a “U” in the correct box.

B. If the calibration due dates match, **and** the calibration due date has **NOT** expired, **and** the calibration sticker on the instrument is legible **then** record an “S” in the correct box.

6.10.4 Ensure the instrument information in on the instrument daily test sheet matches what is shown on the instrument labels (for example, instrument serial number, probe serial number, location, calibration due date), **and** ensure the correct probe serial number scrolls across the display screen of the ASP2E.

6.10.5 Turn the selector switch from the “Off” position to the “Check” position **and** allow the instrument to warm up approximately 2 minutes.

6.10.6 Verify that there is **NO** low battery indicator on the display of the instrument.

A. If low battery indicator is present, **then** replace the batteries **and** repeat the battery check.

B. If low battery indicator is still present, **then** record a “U” in the proper box.

C. If low battery indicator is **NOT** present, then mark an “S” in the proper box.

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NOTE:

A one minute count is started by pressing the Star Key.

- 6.10.7** Perform a timed one-minute background reading in an area **NOT** affected by the check source by rotating the selector switch to the “Scaler” position.
- A.** If the background reading is ≥ 0.1 mrem/hr, **then** mark a “U” in the proper box.
- B.** If the background reading is < 0.1 mrem/hr, **then** record “< 0.1” in the proper box.

NOTE:

Neutron source is currently located at C-415-T1. RADCON Supervision must be contacted for additional guidance as necessary.

- 6.10.8** Take the instrument to the source listed on the instrument daily test sheet in the Source Radionuclide box and Source Identification Number box.
- 6.10.9** Place the instrument in the indicated location near the source **and** perform a timed one minute count.
- 6.10.10** Ensure the source response as indicated on the instrument face is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.
- A.** If the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.
- B.** If the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.
- 6.10.11** Verify **NO** issues were found with the instrument during the field operability test
- A.** If issues were found with the instrument, **then** mark “U” in the proper box.
- B.** If **NO** issues were found with the instrument, **then** mark “S” in the proper box.
- 6.10.12** Initial the instrument calendar.
- 6.10.13** Ensure all boxes on the instrument daily test sheet are properly filled **and** sign as performer, or click the “Submit Source Check Data” button on the RADCON electronic database.
- 6.10.14** Turn the instrument off **and** place the instrument into service.

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6.11 Performance Testing of Ludlum Model 30-7B Neutron Instruments

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- 6.11.1 Verify the physical integrity of the instrument.
- 6.11.2 Enter the date and time of the response test.
- 6.11.3 Verify the calibration due date shown on the instrument daily test sheet, and the calibration due date indicated on the instrument calibration sticker are the same, **and** the calibration due date is **NOT** in the past, **and** the calibration sticker on the instrument is legible.
 - A. **If** the calibration due dates do **NOT** match, **or** the calibration due date has expired, **or** the calibration sticker on the instrument is **NOT** legible **then** record a “U” in the correct box.
 - B. **If** the calibration due dates match, **and** the calibration due date has **NOT** expired, **and** the calibration sticker on the instrument is legible **then** record an “S” in the correct box.
- 6.11.4 Ensure the instrument information on the instrument daily test sheet matches what is shown on the instrument labels (for example, instrument serial number, probe serial number, location, calibration due date).
- 6.11.5 Turn the instrument on **and** allow the instrument to warm up for approximately 2 minutes.
- 6.11.6 Verify that there is **NO** low battery indicator on the display of the instrument.
 - A. **If** low battery indicator is present, **then** replace the batteries **and** repeat the battery check.
 - B. **If** low battery indicator is still present, **then** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - C. **If** low battery indicator is **NOT** present, then mark an “S” in the proper box.

NOTE:

A one minute count is started by pressing the MODE button two times to get to the COUNT mode.

- 6.11.7 With the instrument in “COUNT” mode, perform a timed one-minute background reading in an area **NOT** affected by the check source by pressing the OK button.
 - A. **If** the background reading is ≥ 0.1 mrem/hr, **then** mark a “U” in the proper box.
 - B. **If** the background reading is < 0.1 mrem/hr, **then** record “< 0.1” in the proper box.

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NOTE:
Neutron source is currently located at C-415-T1. RADCON Supervision can be contacted for additional guidance, as necessary.

- 6.11.8 Take the instrument to the source listed on the instrument daily test sheet in the Source Radionuclide box and Source Identification Number box.
 - 6.11.9 Place the instrument in the indicated location near the source **and** perform a timed one minute count.
 - 6.11.10 Ensure the source response as indicated on the instrument face is within the range shown on the instrument daily test sheet.
 - A. If the instrument is out of range, **then** record the reading in the proper box, **and** record a “U” in the proper box.
 - B. If the instrument is within range, **then** record the reading in the proper box.
 - 6.11.11 Verify **NO** issues were found with the instrument during the field operability test
 - A. If issues were found with the instrument, **then** mark “U” in the proper box.
 - B. If **NO** issues were found with the instrument, **then** mark “S” in the proper box.
 - 6.11.12 Initial the instrument calendar.
 - 6.11.13 Ensure all boxes on the instrument daily test sheet are properly filled **and** sign as performer, or click the “Submit Source Check Data” button on the RADCON electronic database.
 - 6.11.14 Turn the instrument off **and** place the instrument into service.
- 6.12 Performance Checks of Lapel Air Samplers**
- 6.12.1 Verify the physical integrity of the instrument.
 - 6.12.2 Verify the Defender 510 BIOS calibration is current on the attached calibration label.
 - 6.12.3 Enter the date and time of the response test.
 - 6.12.4 If **NOT** already turned on, **then** turn on Defender 510 BIOS calibrator by pressing the power button.

NOTE:
The ▲ ▼ ► and ◀ buttons are used to toggle between options on the Defender 510 menu.
The Defender setup steps mentioned in Steps 6.12.4 through 6.12.12 are **NOT** required **when** multiple lapel air samplers are being flow checked consecutively.

- 6.12.5 Press ► to highlight “Setup” and press “Enter”.

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- 6.12.6 Ensure “Readings” is highlighted **and** press “Enter”.
- 6.12.7 Ensure “Number in Average” indicates “010”.
- 6.12.8 **If** “010” is **NOT** indicated, **then** use ◀ or ▶ to change the number to “010”.
- 6.12.9 Press ▼ until “Confirm” is highlighted **and** press “Enter”.
- 6.12.10 Press ▼ until “Measure” is highlighted **and** press “Enter”.
- 6.12.11 Ensure units shown on Defender display are in “L/min”.
- 6.12.12 **If** “L/min” is **NOT** shown on the Defender display, **then** notify RADCON supervision for direction.
- 6.12.13 **If** required, **then** press ◀ or ▶ until “Burst” is highlighted **and** press “Enter”. The Defender 510 is now ready to collect the flow data from the pump.
- 6.12.14 Ensure the instrument information on the instrument daily test sheet matches what is shown on the instrument (for example, serial number, location, calibration due date).
- 6.12.15 Verify the calibration due date shown on the instrument daily test sheet, and the calibration due date indicated on the instrument calibration sticker are the same, **and** the calibration due date is not in the past, **and** the calibration sticker on the instrument is legible.
 - A. **If** the calibration due dates do **NOT** match, **or** the calibration due date has expired, **or** the calibration sticker on the instrument is not legible **then** record a “U” in the correct box.
 - B. **If** the calibration due dates match, **and** the calibration due date has not expired, **and** the calibration sticker on the instrument is legible **then** record an “S” in the correct box.
- 6.12.16 Press the power button to turn on the lapel air sampler.
- 6.12.17 Connect Defender hose to lapel air sampler.
- 6.12.18 For Buck LP-7 and LP-12 samplers: Press ▼ (“Exit”) to access the next menu and press ▲ (“Run”) to begin sample flow.
- 6.12.19 For Buck Basic-12 and VSS-12 samplers: Press “Enter/Off” to begin sample flow.
- 6.12.20 Press “Enter” on the Defender to begin the flow test, **and** document the average flow rate reading, after ten (10) readings, in the correct box.

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- 6.12.21 Compare the obtained average flow rate reading to the “Acceptable Range” shown on the instrument daily test sheet.
 - A. **If** the flow rate does **NOT** fall within the range **then** record a “U” in the correct box.
 - B. **If** the calibration due dates match, **and** the calibration due date has not expired, **and** the calibration sticker on the instrument is legible **then** record an “S” in the correct box.
- 6.12.22 For Buck Basic-12 and/or VSS-12, **if** the battery is <75%, **then** mark a “U” in the correct box.
- 6.12.23 For Buck 12 and/or VSS-12, **if** the battery is $\geq 75\%$, **then** mark an “S” in the correct box.
- 6.12.24 For Buck LP-7 and/or LP-12, **if** the battery indicator shows less than three bars, **then** mark a “U” in the correct box.
- 6.12.25 For Buck LP-7 and/or LP-12, **if** the battery indicator shows three or more bars, **then** mark an “S” in the correct box.
- 6.12.26 Turn the lapel air sampler off.
- 6.12.27 Verify **NO** issues were found with the instrument during the field operability test
 - A. **If** issues were found with the instrument, **then** mark “U” in the proper box.
 - B. **If NO** issues were found with the instrument, **then** mark “S” in the proper box.
- 6.12.28 Initial the instrument calendar.
- 6.12.29 Ensure all boxes on the instrument daily test sheet are properly filled **and** sign as performer, or click the “Submit Source Check Data” button on the RADCON electronic database.
- 6.12.30 Turn the instrument off **and** place the instrument into service.
- 6.13 **Setup, Performance Check, and zero of Yellow Clip Mirion DMC 3000 Electronic Personal Dosimeters (EPDs)**

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- 6.13.1 Ensure reader is connected to computer.
- 6.13.2 **If NOT** already open, **then** open *DMCUser™* to perform configuration.
- 6.13.3 Place EPD on reader to ensure communication.
- 6.13.4 Ensure EPD is in “PAUSE” mode.

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6.13.5 If EPDs are **NOT** in “PAUSE”, **then** select “Go to Pause” button.

NOTE:

For Manual configuration of EPDs, the parameters of concern are: “Dose alarm set point” and “Dose warning set point” which control when the dosimeter will alarm for accumulated dose, and “Rate warning set point” and “Rate alarm set point” which control when the dosimeter will alarm for dose rate.

6.13.6 Select “Read Parameters”

6.13.7 Enter the value of the parameter to be changed in the field next to the parameter

6.13.8 Select “Write Parameters” to save the configuration to the EPD

6.13.9 Select “Go to Measure” to begin use of EPD

NOTE:

For batch configuration the steps are as follows

6.13.10 Select “Batch Configuration” tab.

6.13.11 Ensure “Go to run mode after process” is selected or checked.

6.13.12 Press “Select File” button **and** select desired batch file to be written to the EPD.

6.13.13 Select “Start”.

NOTE:

The lower left hand corner of DMCUser™ computer screen will display “Dosimeter configured, please remove dosimeter...” when configuration is complete.

6.13.14 **When** configuration is complete, **then** remove EPD from reader **and** document configuration is complete on CP3-RP-1327-F01, *Mirion Electronic Personal Dosimeter Configuration*

6.13.15 Place another EPD on reader **and** repeat as necessary to configure additional EPDs.

6.13.16 Select “Stop” when all EPDs have been configured with the predefined parameters.

6.13.17 Close *DMCUser*™ when appropriate.

6.13.18 Maintain completed CP3-RP-1327-F01.

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CAUTION:

Configuration can be changed with this feature of the software so caution is advised.

NOTE:

Verification of the configuration checks of EPDs are performed in steps **6.13.19** through **6.13.30**.

- 6.13.19** Do **NOT** alter **or** change data in fields.
- 6.13.20** Ensure physical integrity of EPD.
- 6.13.21** Confirm EPD has a current **and** legible calibration label.
- 6.13.22** **If** EPD does **NOT** have a current and legible calibration label, **then** tag EPD out of service using RP-F-0026.
- 6.13.23** Ensure reader is connected to computer.
- 6.13.24** **If NOT** already open, **then** open *DMCUser*TM.
- 6.13.25** Place EPD on reader to ensure communication.
- 6.13.26** Select “Parameters” tab.
- 6.13.27** Select “Read Parameters” to observe the configuration currently on the EPD.
- 6.13.28** **When** configuration is confirmed, **then** remove EPD.
- 6.13.29** **If** desired, **then** place another EPD on reader **and** select “Read Parameters”.
- 6.13.30** Close *DMCUser*TM when appropriate.

NOTE:

Zero and change EPD modes are performed in steps **6.13.31** through **6.13.46**.

- 6.13.31** Ensure physical integrity of EPD.
- 6.13.32** Confirm EPD has a current **and** legible calibration label.
- 6.13.33** **If** EPD does **NOT** have a current **and** legible calibration label, **then** tag EPD out of service using RP-F-0026.
- 6.13.34** Ensure reader is connected to computer.
- 6.13.35** **If NOT** already open, **then** open *DMCUser*TM.
- 6.13.36** Select “Batch In/Out” tab.

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NOTE:
EPDs must be put in “PAUSE” mode before they can be zeroed. “PAUSE” will be displayed on EPD screen when EPD is in “PAUSE” mode.

- 6.13.37 Place EPD on reader to ensure communication.
- 6.13.38 Ensure EPD is in “PAUSE” mode.
- 6.13.39 **If** EPDs are **NOT** in “PAUSE”, **then** select “Go to Pause” button.
- 6.13.40 Ensure “Auto confirm Out” and “Auto confirm in” is checked or selected.
- 6.13.41 Select “Start”.
- 6.13.42 **When** message at bottom left of screen indicates “Dosimeter processed”, “Dosimeter processed, please remove dosimeter...” or “Dosimeter already processed, remove dosimeter”, **then** remove EPD from reader.
- 6.13.43 Place another EPD on reader **and** repeat as necessary to zero out additional EPDs.
- 6.13.44 Select “Stop” when desired EPDs have been zeroed out.
- 6.13.45 Close *DMCUser*TM when appropriate.
- 6.13.46 Ensure final state of EPD is in measurement or run mode **and** is displaying “#.#” mrem or “# mrem/h” prior to returning EPD to deployment location for field use.

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NOTE:
When common operations are performed on multiple EPDs (for example, battery changes), it is **NOT** required to list the common operation multiple times on CP4-RP-1336-F01, *Electronic Personal Dosimeter Setup Sheet*.

- 6.13.47 Document calibration due date on CP4-RP-1336-F01.

NOTE:
A standard alkaline (1.5 V) AAA battery has a life of approximately 2,500 hours while EPD is in “continuous run, without excessive alarm”. The DMC 3000TM will warn the user when the battery needs to be replaced. Battery changes should be performed quarterly but may be changed more frequently based upon use.

- 6.13.48 Ensure physical integrity of EPD.
- 6.13.49 Confirm EPD has a current **and** legible calibration label.
- 6.13.50 **If** EPD does **NOT** have a current **and** legible calibration label, **then** tag EPD out of service using RP-F-0026.

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- 6.13.51** If battery change is required, **then** loosen two screws on the battery cover with a number 8 Torx screwdriver.
- 6.13.52** Rotate **and** remove battery cover.
- 6.13.53** Remove **and** dispose of battery.
- 6.13.54** Install new battery.
- 6.13.55** Engage battery cover bottom side first **and** rotate closed.
- 6.13.56** Hand tighten the screws, taking care to **NOT** strip screw holes.
- 6.13.57** Document EPD serial number **and** battery change in “Comments” section of CP4-RP-1336-F01.
- 6.13.58** Sign **and** date form.
- 6.13.59** Provide completed CP4-RP-1336-F01 to RADCON supervision for review.

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- 6.13.60** Review **and** sign completed CP4-RP-1336-F01.

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7.0 RECORDS

7.1 Records Generated

The following records may be generated by this procedure:

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Forms are to be completed according to CP3-OP-0024, *Forms Control*.

7.2 Records Disposition

The records are to be maintained according to CP3-RP-1401, *Radiation Protection Program Records* and CP3-RD-0010, *Records Management Process*.

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Appendix A – Acronyms/Definitions

ACRONYMS

ANSI – American National Standards Institute

CPM – Counts per Minute

D&R – Deactivation and Remediation

EPD – Electronic Personal Dosimeter

HV – High voltage

LLD – Lowest level of detection

MDC – minimum detectable concentration

PGDP – Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant

RADCON – Radiological Control

RCT – Radiological Control Technician

THR – Threshold

DEFINITIONS

Refer to CP2-RP-0002, *Radiological Control Manual* for additional definitions.