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Radiation Accident: Incident at Clear Air Force Station, Alaska: Nsiad-86-9

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BiblioGov. Paperback. Book Condition: New. This item is printed on demand. Paperback. 84 pages. Dimensions: 9.7in. x 7.4in. x 0.2in.Pursuant to a congressional request, GAO investigated the conduct of the Air Force and its contractor in responding to the 1983 radiation accident at Clear Air Station, Alaska, to determine whether: (1) the contractor fulfilled all the required services in compliance with the terms of the contract; (2) Air Force actions in administering the contract were beyond reproach; and (3) affected employees have been afforded the best available medical evaluation, treatment, and follow-up they are entitled to under law. GAO noted that, according to Air Force and contractor investigation reports, the accident occurred because of the inadvertent actions of a contractor technician. Upon investigation, GAO found that: (1) the technicians action resulted in the workers exposure to radiation because the equipment was not laid out and operated as required by the contract; (2) contractor noncompliance with contract specifications and problems in contract management practices allowed the accident to go undetected for 8 minutes; (3) there was some delay in providing medical services to the victims immediately following the accident; and (4) the contractor reduced staffing in key control rooms below the...



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