

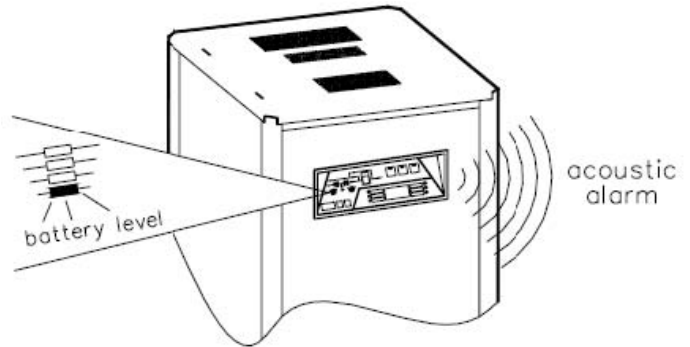
Medical Device Alert

Action

Ref: MDA/2009/085 Issued: 18 December 2009 at 16:30

Device

GE Fluoro uninterruptible power supply units (UPS) 20KVA associated with Innova cardiovascular X-ray imaging systems.



Problem

The UPS battery can degrade and its life expectancy may be shortened, potentially causing the UPS to become unavailable.

This may result in sudden curtailment of examinations with serious consequences for patient diagnosis or treatment.

Action by

Radiology managers, cardiology department managers, radiologists, radiographers, and all staff involved in the use and maintenance of this equipment.

Action

- Identify affected devices.
- Verify the battery level is adequate and check if the audible alarm is sounding from the UPS front panel.
- Contact GE either to report any malfunction or to arrange a further inspection visit if no problem is found.
- Ensure that all users and maintenance staff are made aware of this problem.
- Ensure that there is a system in place to check the Fluoro UPS functionality monthly by turning off the mains power input and ensuring that fluoroscopy remains available.

CAS deadlines

Action underway: 04 January 2010
Action complete: 18 January 2010

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