

## Digirad Announces Medical Radiopharmaceutical Supplier Back in Service

### Repair of Chalk River Reactor Should Alleviate Isotope Shortages

POWAY, CA, Aug 18, 2010 (MARKETWIRE via COMTEX News Network) -- Digirad Corporation (NASDAQ: DRAD), a diversified health care company specializing in the early detection of disease to enhance quality of life, today announced that the Canadian nuclear reactor that supplies approximately 50 percent of the medical radiopharmaceuticals to North America is back in service, thereby alleviating significant supply disruptions that negatively impacted Digirad's DIS services business for the past 15 months with the most acute impact over the past four months.

Atomic Energy of Canada Ltd., the operator of the National Research Universal reactor in Chalk River, Ontario, announced August 17 that the reactor had been repaired. It was shut down in May 2009.

"This is very welcome news," said Digirad CEO Todd P. Clyde. "The Chalk River reactor is a critical link in the supply chain of medical radiopharmaceuticals we need for our nuclear imaging products and nuclear services. We believe having it back online will allow us and our physician customers to get back into a normal rhythm of service."

About Digirad Corporation Digirad markets medical diagnostic imaging systems and personnel and equipment leasing services for cardiac, vascular, and general imaging applications. Digirad's installed base of equipment exceeds 700 systems. Digirad also performs leasing services with its portable fleet of more than 145 nuclear and ultrasound imaging systems in 21 states. For more information, please visit [www.digirad.com](http://www.digirad.com). Digirad(R), Digirad Imaging Solutions(R), and Cardius(R) are registered trademarks of Digirad Corporation.

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