

November 10, 2020

## **URGENT: FIELD SAFETY NOTICE - MMS-20-3862**

## BD Alaris™ GP Plus; BD Alaris™ GP Plus Guardrails; BD Alaris™ neXus GP

**REF / Serial Number: Refer to Table 1** 

Type of Action: Field Work

Attention: EBME / Clinical Engineering Managers, Clinical Personnel, Risk Managers

This letter contains important information which requires your attention.

Dear Customer,

BD is issuing this Field Safety Notice in relation to a hardware issue identified on the specific serial numbers of Alaris™ GP Volumetric Pump with Plus software (REF: 9002TIG03), Alaris™ GP Guardrails™ Volumetric Pump with Plus software (REF: 9002TIG03-G) and BD Alaris™ neXus GP (REF: GPNEXUS1) listed in Table 1 below. Our distribution records indicate that your organisation may have received impacted instruments which were manufactured between July 2019 to June 2020.

Table 1: List of impacted instruments

| REF         | Product Description  | Impacted Serial Number Range | Manufacturing<br>Dates |
|-------------|--|------------------------------|------------------------|
| 9002TIG03   | Alaris™ GP Volumetric Pump with Plus software                | 400008724 to 400009451       | Jul-19 to May-20       |
| 9002TIG03-G | Alaris™ GP Guardrails™ Volumetric<br>Pump with Plus software | 470034144 to 470044446       | Sept-19 to June-20     |
| GPNEXUS1    | BD Alaris™ neXus GP  | 410000002 to 410004377       | Prior to June-20       |

#### **Description of the Problem**

BD has become aware through customer feedback that the specific Alaris pumps listed in Table 1 above manufactured with consolidated Printed Circuit Board Assemblies (PCBA) have the potential to exhibit spurious counting of Flow Sensor pulses. This is resulting in the reporting of false flow error alarms or failure to detect No Flow which in clinical practice may result in an interruption to infusion or cause a delay in infusion.

Based on customer feedback provided, this issue has been primarily detected when the EBME/Engineering department is performing the installation Product Verification Performance per the Technical Service Manual testing with the flow sensor present on the device.

#### **Corrective Actions by BD**

As a result of this issue, BD is remediating the Printed Circuit Board Assemblies (PCBA) of all pump serial numbers listed in Table 1.

#### **Advice for Clinical Users**

If the device enters clinical use and results in a false Flow Error Alarm, the user should follow the current Directions for Use (DFU) to try to clear the error. If the alarm persists the User should remove the device from service and contact Qualified Service Personnel, in line with current DFU, for any device behaving abnormally.

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In line with current clinical practice, the infusion can be re-commenced on an alternate device. For infusions which can be delivered under gravity, consult the relevant DFU for instructions on activating the Alaris Safety Clamp.

#### Advice on actions to be taken by the user

- 1. Ensure the contents of this Field Safety Notice are read and understood by those within your organisation who may use or service the Alaris™ GP Volumetric Pump with Plus software (REF: 9002TIG03), Alaris™ GP Guardrails™ Volumetric Pump with Plus software (REF: 9002TIG03-G) and BD Alaris™ neXus GP (REF: GPNEXUS1).
  - If you have further distributed the product to other organisations, please identify those organisations and notify them at once of this Field Action.
- 2. Please complete the Customer Response form (Page 3) indicating whether you wish the remediation of the instruments to be performed by BD (Option 1) or by your organisation (Option 2) and return the completed form to BD at BDUKFieldAction@bd.com no later than 30<sup>th</sup> November 2020. An example of a pump label containing the serial number and manufacture date can be found in Appendix 1.
  - If selecting Option 1, a BD representative will contact you upon receipt of your completed Customer Response Form to discuss BD scheduling the remediation activity.
  - If selecting Option 2, a BD representative will contact you upon receipt of your completed Customer Response Form to discuss providing the spare parts and instructions to conduct the remediation activity.

NOTE: For Options 1 and 2, all spare parts for remediation activities will be provided free of charge by BD.

3. If you are no longer in possession of or no longer use the instruments listed in Table 1, please indicate this on the response form and return to BD so we may update our records.

Should you have any questions or experience any issues associated with the product or issue described in this Field Safety Notice, please contact <a href="mailto:BDUKFieldAction@bd.com">BDUKFieldAction@bd.com</a>. We confirm that the appropriate regulatory agencies have been informed of these actions.

BD is committed to ensuring that safe and effective product is available to customers and this Field Safety Notice is taken with due consideration of this commitment.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

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Senior Director Quality Compliance EMEA

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## **Customer Acknowledgement Form – MMS-20-3862**

## BD Alaris GP Plus; BD Alaris GP Plus Guardrails; BD Alaris neXus GP

REF / Serial Number: Refer to Table 1

Please read in conjunction with Field Safety Notice MMS-20-3862 and return the completed and signed form as soon as possible or **no later than November 30<sup>th</sup>**, **2020** to **BDUKFieldAction@bd.com**.

By completing the information below you confirm you have read, understood and distributed the contents of this Field Safety Notice accordingly.

| Name of Trust (if applicable)   |   |                   |              |  |         |                  |  |  |
|---|---|-------------------|--------------|--|---------|------------------|--|--|
| Name of <u>all</u> Facilitie<br>covered by th<br>(e.g. other hospitals with | nis response  |                   |              |  |         |                  |  |  |
| Facility / Hospital address   |   |                   |              |  |         |                  |  |  |
|   | Postcode  |                   |              |  |         |                  |  |  |
| Telephone number  |   |                   |              | E-mail add   | dress   |                  |  |  |
| Name of your supplier / wholesaler (if not BD)                              |   |                   |              |  |         |                  |  |  |
| Your Name   |   |                   |              |  |         |                  |  |  |
| Signature   |   |                   |              |  | Date    |                  |  |  |
|   |   |                   |              |  |         |                  |  |  |
| Number of devices impacted (approx.):                                       |   | <u>9002TIG03:</u> |              | <u>9002TIG03-G:</u>  |         | <u>GPNEXUS1:</u> |  |  |
|   | OR - Our facility does NOT have any of the affected pumps listed in this Field Safety Notice (check). |                   |              |  |         |                  |  |  |
| Please check (✓) one of the following options:                              |   |                   |              |  |         |                  |  |  |
| Option 1: BD to perform PCBA's, pleas below (if diffe                       |   | Option            | will perform | service provider<br>mediation, please<br>letails below<br>ove) |         |                  |  |  |
| Name: Job   |   | Title:            | Те           | lephone:   | E-mail: |                  |  |  |
|   |   |                   |              |  |         |                  |  |  |
| Address:  |   |                   |              |  |         |                  |  |  |

Please return your completed and signed Customer Response Form to: BDUKFieldAction@bd.com.

This form must be returned to BD before this action can be considered closed for your account.

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# **Appendix 1 – MMS-20-3862**

BD Alaris GP Plus; BD Alaris GP Plus Guardrails; BD Alaris neXus GP

REF / Serial Number: Refer to Table 1

### **Example of a Pump Label**

(Please note this is an example for guidance only, labels may vary slightly between pump models).

Serial number and manufacture date can be found as below:

Serial Number Manufacture Date



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