

BEST Industries, Inc.

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VIA FACSIMILE

Dear Mr. Baggett:

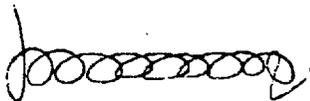
This is to inform you that we have begun our multi-center trial for the use of Iridium-192 seeds in nylon ribbons to inhibit restenosis in coronary arteries. This is the extension of the clinical trial carried out at Scripps Clinic, La Jolla, CA.

The partnership of Cordis Corporation and Best Industries, Inc. has obtained approval from the FDA to carry out this clinical trial at 12 sites in the U.S.

Our understanding has been that FDA has taken the lead role in the regulatory process for final approval. All of the centers enrolled in this clinical trial currently have a license to process and use our Iridium-192 seeds in nylon ribbons. We are of the belief that these centers can carry out this clinical trial using our Iridium-192 seeds in nylon ribbons under their current license and our FDA-approved IDE for this multi-center trials. If our interpretation of the current regulations is not correct, please let me know as soon as possible.

I look forward to hearing from you.

With kind regards,



Krishnan Suthanthiran
President

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REMARKS: Urgent Review Reply ASAP Comment

Dr. Seung Lee:

Re: Best correspondence dated October 31, 1997 c/o Steve Baggett, USNRC

Enclosed is the document you requested from Sankara I. Ramaswamy last week. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me.

With kind regards,

Krishnan Suthanthiran
President