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Mr. Paul Lohaus, Director
Office of State and Tribal Programs
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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Re: Request for Timetable on Promulgation of Revised 10 CFR 35 – Medical Use of
Byproduct Material (STP-02-032)

Dear Mr. Lohaus:

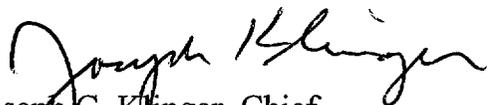
The Illinois Department of Nuclear Safety (Department) hereby submits its comments on the timetable for promulgating compatible regulations for the revised 10 CFR 35. The Department is currently reviewing these regulations.

We note that the goal of the NRC in promulgating revised regulations was to focus “on those medical procedures that pose the highest risk to workers, patients, and the public, and to structure its regulations to be more risk-informed and more performance-based.” Development of compatible regulations by this agency will require careful consideration by our staff and the regulated community.

We will actively work to initiate the rulemaking process and begin drafting compatible regulations. We plan to promulgate compatible medical regulations by the end of the three-year time period, April 24, 2005.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (217) 785-9947.

Sincerely,


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cc: James Lynch, NRC Region III



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