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Dear Mr. Hickey:

Thank you for your recent letter of July 3, 2002, which represents a response to my letter of December 26, 2000 to Dr. Donald A. Cool regarding the Nuclear Regulatory Commission recognition of American Board of Radiology (ABR) certification under the new 10 CFR Part 35 "Medical Use of Byproduct Material." It is our understanding that your response reflects the current status of Part 35 and does not include consideration of the issues and recommended changes discussed at the Advisory Committee on Medical Uses of Isotopes (ACMUI) subcommittee meeting recently held in Washington.

As you already know, much has transpired since the December 2000 letter, particularly the recent ACMUI subcommittee meeting, in which the American Board of Radiology, in concert with several other certification boards, testified. We understand that the subcommittee report has subsequently been accepted by the full ACMUI committee. The ABR will await further developments in response to the ACMUI recommendations that address our concerns about issues in Part 35.

Thank you for your response. We await further decision by the commissioners in evaluating the ACMUI recommendations. We would appreciate any news of this progress at any time.

Many thanks.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

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