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Dear Dr. Iskandrian:

This letter acknowledges our receipt of the letter you sent, on behalf of the Certification Board of Nuclear Cardiology (CBNC), to Donald A. Cool requesting formal recognition by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission of the CBNC's certification process.

Your request is currently being review by the NRC staff.

NRC expects to begin listing the names of recognized boards on an NRC website prior to the effective date of the final rule. I anticipate the Commission will publish the final rule in the Federal Register by spring 2001, with an effective date 6 months after publication.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Robert Ayres at 301-415-5746 or e-mail at rxa1@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

Pairicia Holahan, Branch Chief Rulemaking and Guidance Branch Division of Industrial and Medical Nuclear Safety Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards