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To whom it may concern:

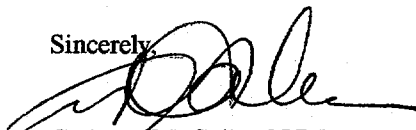
Since we have begun our program using iodine-131 to treat feline hyperthyroidism, we have had to store a great deal of waste for decay in storage. Since we have limited space available in our therapy room, we have found it inadequate to store the amounts of waste that we are generating, due to the popularity of our program.

We are therefore proposing an additional storage site for waste that will be stored for decay. We would like to purchase or lease a steel dumpster from our existing waste disposal company (DiBella Sanitation, 973-391-4353) and place it immediately behind our existing dumpster (located outdoors, in the parking lot, approximately 100 feet from the building). This second dumpster would be padlocked 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, and would only be accessible to personnel of the Veterinary Referral Centre who have been trained in radiation safety by Dr. Cathryn Calia (authorized user) and/or John Ramsey (health physicist). This dumpster would be clearly labeled with Radioactive Materials signs in both English and Spanish. The waste disposal company would be instructed to leave the dumpster on site, and not to empty it (they would not have access to it, since it will be padlocked).

Radioactive waste to be kept for decay in storage would be placed in this dumpster for the required eighty days. After this period of time, the waste will be removed from the dumpster and surveyed for radioactivity. If there are no significant radioactive emissions, the radioactive signs will be removed and/or permanently defaced. The bags will then be placed in the regular garbage dumpster to be removed from the premises.

Please contact John Ramsey or Dr. Cathryn Calia with any questions or concerns regarding this proposal.
Thank you.

Sincerely,



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