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Dear Dr. Lodhi:

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This correspondence provides additional training information requested for the addition of Am-241 wands we want to obtain from the Department of Veterans Affairs to support our detection training program.

Training on these sources will be presented to selected Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers by one of our staff health physicists. They will then be designated as source handlers under a permit issued by the CBP Safety Office. These CBP officers will handle, store and place sources into scenarios for other CBP officers undergoing detection training. Scenarios are operated in such a way that CBP officers do not touch sources. The objective of their training is to determine the extent, type and in some cases the identity of the radiation without opening the box, container, vehicle or other item containing the source.

Our point of contact is Richard T. Whitman, the CBP Radiation Safety Officer. He may be reached telephonically at (317) 614-4843 or at richard.t.whitman@dhs.gov on email.

Sincerely,

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