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ATTN: Director, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards
Washington D.C. 20555

Dear Sir or Madam,

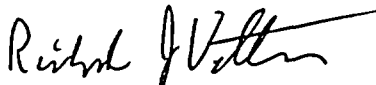
This letter is being sent in response to NRC Order EA-05-006 titled "Issuance of Order for Additional Security Measures on the Transportation of Radioactive Material Quantities of Concern" (RAMQC). We are sending this letter on behalf of both the Mayo Clinic Rochester (license #22-00519-03) and St. Marys Hospital (license #22-26031-01) licenses.

Previously, we sent letters consenting to the original Order EA-04-191 for both the Mayo Clinic Rochester and St. Marys Hospital licenses. Upon further review of both NRC Order documents, we have determined that the Orders are not applicable to either license. The reason that we believe this to be the case is that neither licensee performs the shipping function for any sources subject to these Orders. Instead, these licensees utilize the services of vendors and/or source manufacturers to perform the RAMQC shipping functions. The extent of the Mayo Clinic Rochester's and the St. Marys Hospital's involvement in the shipping function for RAMQC shipments is to ensure that the vendor / manufacturer has an NRC or Agreement State license to ship and receive the materials and to ensure that the vendor / manufacturer states that they are meeting requirements stipulated in any NRC Order regarding the transportation of RAMQC materials.

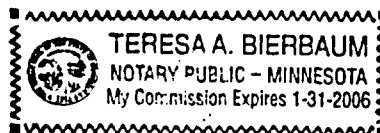
If at any time in the future conditions change and there is a need to perform RAMQC shipping functions ourselves under either the Mayo Clinic Rochester or St. Marys Hospital licenses, we will notify the NRC within ninety (90) days in advance of any RAMQC shipment and will implement the requirements within Order EA-05-006.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, feel free to contact either me or Jeff Brunette, Assistant RSO, at (507) 284-9463.

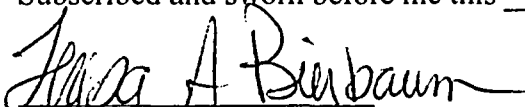
Sincerely,



Richard J. Vetter, Ph.D.
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Subscribed and sworn before me this 4th day of August 2005.


Signature

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