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Please notify the NRC, via letter, 6 months in advance of the Board of Pharmaceutical Specialties plans to discontinue or make changes to your certification procedures for BCNP that would affect the recognition of the Board of Pharmaceutical Specialties BCNP certification process under the requirements of 10 CFR 35.55(a).

For further information or for questions, please contact Donna-Beth Howe, Ph.D. of my staff (301/415-7848, dbh@nrc.gov).

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