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Dear Michelle:

The following is the information that you requested regarding our amendment request to designate Jack A. Olley as our Radiation Safety Officer.

- a. Describe the control over the radiation safety program that will be delegated so that the consultant-RSO will be able to exercise authority over authorized users when confronted with radiation safety problems that require implementation of corrective actions.

We have delegated to Mr. Olley the duties and responsibilities of the Radiation Safety Officer that meet the requirements in CFR 10:35.24 and as outlined in NUREG 1556 rev. 1 (final version).

Mr. Olley has the authority to meet these responsibilities, including prohibiting the use of byproduct material by employees who do not meet the necessary requirements and shutting down operations where justified by radiation safety.

Mr. Olley is required to notify management if staff do not cooperate and do not address radiation safety issues as advised or recommended.

Mr. Olley has the authority to raise issues with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission at any time.

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- b. Describe the relationship that will exist between the consultant-RSO and your institutional management regarding expenditure of funds to facilitate the objectives of your radiation safety program and related regulatory requirements.

Mr. Olley will communicate with institutional management on a monthly basis outlining any needs that are required to facilitate the objectives of the radiation safety program and related regulatory requirements. Also Mr. Olley will participate in the quarterly Radiation Safety Committee meetings.

- c. Identify other commitments of the consultant-RSO for other NRC or Agreement State licensed facilities, along with a description of how the consultant-RSO will allocate time to permit the performance of the duties of the RSO as described in the regulations. State the consultant-RSO's minimum amount of on-site time (hours per week).

Mr. Olley's consultant contract states that he will be on site a total of five days a month which are scheduled throughout the month. Additional times will be authorized if required to perform his duties.

- d. Appoint an in-house representative who will serve as the point of contact during the RSO's absence. This person may be allowed to assist the consultant RSO with limited authority.

Frances Esposito, MD has agreed to be the point of contact during Mr. Olley's absence.

- e. Describe the overall availability of the consultant-RSO to respond to questions or operational issues that arise during the conduct of your radiation safety program and related regulatory requirements. Specify the maximum amount of time it will take the RSO to arrive at the facility in the event of an emergency that requires this presence.



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Mr. Olley is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week via a pager to respond to any questions or to address any operational issues. The consulting firm that Mr. Olley is employed has three other consultants that are also available - one of which is the RSO at two different facilities.

The maximum amount of time it will take Mr. Olley to arrive at the facility in the event of an emergency that requires his presence is 3.5 hours.

If you need additional information, please contact Jack A. Olley at 717 291-9813 voice mail box # 3 or e-mail jaolley@verizon.net.

Sincerely,


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