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Northern Montana Hospital
ATTN: Earl R. Harrison, Jr., M.D.
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SUBJECT: LICENSE AMENDMENT VOID

We have reviewed your letters dated January 18, and February 8, 2006, requesting an amendment to add Dr. Bart Hovey as an authorized user of byproduct material identified in 10 CFR 35.100 and 35.200.

A facsimile dated February 13, 2006, was sent to Ms. Christen Turner of your staff, requesting additional information that was needed by the staff before the technical review of Dr. Hovey's training and experience could be completed.

Several extensions to respond to the request for additional information were granted.

In addition, you submitted a fax outlining Dr. Hovey's nuclear medicine hours; however, topics of training could not be distinguished (as requested in Item 5 of NRC Form 313A). Also you submitted a fax of the annual report for diagnostic radiology residents which does not appear adequate to serve as preceptor attestation.

A summary of our fax deficiency letter dated February 13, 2006, is as follows:

The specialty board certification for Dr. Hovey is **not** recognized by NRC under 10 CFR Part 35 (<http://www.nrc.gov/materials/miau/miau-reg-initiatives/spec-board-cert.html>).

Therefore, the applicable sections of NRC Form 313A (enclosed) (<http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/forms/nrc313a.pdf>) (i.e., Part I Items 1, 3.b., 3.c., 5, 6.a., 6.b., and 10 and Part II Items 11.a.-11.d.) documenting the training for Dr. Hovey as specified in 10 CFR 35.190 and/or 35.290, as appropriate, should be completed.

Per my telephone conversation this morning with Ms. Turner, we are voiding this amendment request.

Should Northern Montana Hospital within one year of this action being voided, wish to reinstate the amendment application, it need only provide written correspondence asking that it be reinstated and provide the additional information as requested by NRC. All correspondence specific to this amendment request should reference Mail Control No. 470849.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the NRC's document system (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

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Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

/RA/

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Enclosures: As stated