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NRC License No: 37-27899-01  
Docket Number: 030-29536  
Re: Control No: 139537

Dear Mr. Lee,

As discussed with our radiation physicist, Sam Payne on January 3, 2007, we felt we should amend our request to appoint Philip Moldofsky, M.D. as our Radiation Safety Officer (RSO) at this time.

We would request that Samuel L. Payne, M.S., our radiation physicist be our Radiation Safety Officer. Mr. Payne serves as the RSO at the Mercy Hospital, Scranton, Pennsylvania (NRC License Number: 37-01374-03) in which he oversees the use of byproduct materials utilized in 35.100; 35.200 and 35.400.

Mr. Payne will be delegated authority in all matters related to radiation safety. The consultant-RSO will be able to exercise authority over the authorized users with relation to radiation safety problems. If an issue should arise in which patient care is involved, the consultant-RSO will discuss these issues with the authorized users to determine the appropriate action weighing patient care issues.

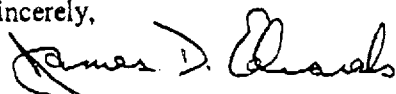
The administration of this facility will authorize and delegate authority to Mr. Payne to appropriate funds required to maintain our radiation safety program within the objectives of our radiation safety program and related regulatory requirements.

Mr. Payne provides monthly visits to our facility. In addition, he is available by phone at any time to answer questions or respond to operational issues that may arise.

Please find the signed Radiation Safety Officer Model Delegation of Authority" attached to this letter.

We thank you in advance for your consideration to our amendment request.

Sincerely,



James Edwards, CEO  
Hazleton General Hospital  
Greater Hazleton Health Alliance

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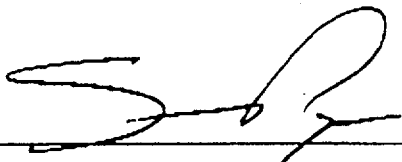
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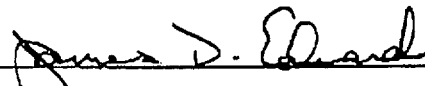
## Radiation Safety Officer - Delegation of Authority

You, Samuel Payne, have been appointed Radiation Safety Officer and are responsible for ensuring the safe use of radiation. You are responsible for managing the radiation protection program; identifying radiation protection problems; initiating, recommending, or providing corrective actions; verifying implementation of corrective actions; stopping unsafe activities; and ensuring compliance with regulations. You are hereby delegated the authority necessary to meet those 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. You are required to notify management if staff do not cooperate and do not address radiation safety issues. In addition, you are free to raise issues with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission at any time.

I accept the above responsibilities,



Signature of Radiation Safety Officer



Signature of Management Representative

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