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Subject: Comment on Petition for Rulemaking (Docket No. PRM-35-20)

Dear Ms. Vietti-Cook:

This letter is to document support of the American Academy of Health Physics (AAHP) for favorable consideration of the petition for Rulemaking filed by E. Russell Ritenour, Ph.D., for the American Association of Medical Physicists, which was published in the Federal Register on November 1, 2006.

Dr. Ritenour's petition seeks to restore the recognition of diplomates and certifying boards that were previously recognized in 10 CFR Part 35 prior to October 25, 2005. The AAHP supports this petition for rulemaking, and urges the Commission to amend its regulations as stated in paragraph 4.2 of the petition to "recognize individuals that were certified by a board that was listed in Subpart J of the old regulations for ... § 35.50 (RSO)... prior to October 24, 2005."

The basis of the Academy's support for Dr. Ritenour's petition is the same as that provided by James S. Willison, PE, CHP, in his letter to you dated December 29, 2006, on behalf of the American Board of Health Physics (ABHP). The Academy represents all Certified Health Physicists and supports the ABHP in its certification programs and activities.

Please contact me at (865) 574-5851, or by e-mail at BogardJS@ORNL.gov, if you need additional information or have questions about the Academy or its position in support of Dr. Ritenour's petition.

Respectfully submitted,

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President, American Academy of Health Physics.

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Van,

Attached for docketing is a comment letter on PRM-35-20 that I received via the rulemaking website on 1/9/07. The commenter noted that a paper copy was mailed by regular USPS on 1/8/07.

Carol

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