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SUBJECT: CENTRO MEDICO DEL TURABO, D/B/A HOSPITAL HIMA SAN PABLO FAJARDO, LETTER ACCEPTED AS NOTIFICATION - AMENDMENT NOT NEEDED, CONTROL NO. 142506

Dear Dr. Torres:

Your letter dated June 6, 2008, is accepted as notification that you possess and use naturally-occurring and accelerator-produced radioactive material (NARM) under your current NRC license. Please note that Section 651(e) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 expanded the definition of byproduct material to include NARM. Therefore, the radioisotopes and uses described in your letter (e.g., F-18, Ga-67, Ga-68, In-111, Tl-201, C-11, and Co-57) are already included on your NRC license under 10 CFR 35.65, 35.100, and 35.200. Additionally, we understand from conversations with you, that the facilities used for NARM and the authorized users are already described in your current NRC license and tie-downs. We also understand that you currently use PET isotopes (e.g., C-11 and F-18) and you receive the isotopes in unit dosages for uses in your current nuclear medicine facilities with no specialized shielding for PET isotopes. Please note that PET scan rooms and patient quiet rooms may require additional shielding to meet the public dose limits in 10 CFR 20.1301. This issue will be reviewed during the next NRC inspection. Additionally, if our understanding is incorrect, please notify us immediately.

Sincerely,

Original signed by Penny Lanzisera

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