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SUBJECT: PONCE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE, REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION CONCERNING APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT TO
LICENSE, CONTROL NO. 142740

Dear Dr. Torres:

This is in reference to your letter dated October 16, 2008 requesting to amend Nuclear Regulatory Commission License No. 52-19547-01. In order to continue our review, we need the following additional information:

Our letter dated September 12, 2008, requested that you provide information regarding Daniel Torres' experience in using radioactive materials. We need this information to determine if he has sufficient training and experience with the types and quantities of materials specified on your license.

The curriculum vitae that was submitted with your letter does not address the specific information that we requested. Although you state that Mr. Torres was named as a Radiation Safety Officer (RSO) and Medical Physicist on NRC licenses, you did not specify the NRC license numbers on which he was named by the NRC. In addition, I was unable to identify any NRC license issued to the Ponce Oncologic Hospital or the Mayaguez Medical Center; and cannot identify NRC licenses for any of the facilities where he is/was a consultant, except for the Ponce School of Medicine and the San Juan Health Center (terminated in 2001).

Please provide information describing the types of radionuclides that Mr. Torres has used, the quantities that he used, where the experience was gained, the duration of the experience, and the types of uses. In addition, you may provide the license numbers for licenses on which he is currently, or was previously, named as a Radiation Safety Officer.

Current NRC regulations and guidance are included on the NRC's website at www.nrc.gov; select **Nuclear Materials; Medical, Academic, and Industrial Uses of Nuclear Material**; then **Regulations, Guidance, and Communications**. You may also obtain these documents by contacting the Government Printing Office (GPO) toll-free at 1-888-293-6498. The GPO is open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. EST, Monday through Friday (except Federal holidays).

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We will continue our review upon receipt of this information. Please reply to my attention at the Region I Office and refer to Mail Control No. 142740. If you have any technical questions regarding this deficiency letter, please call me at (610) 337-5040.

If we do not receive a reply from you within 30 calendar days from the date of this letter, we will assume that you do not wish to pursue your application.

Sincerely,

Original signed by Elizabeth Ullrich

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