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Re: VHA Radiation Oncology Conference

Dear Ms. Pelke:

We had outstanding presentations and group participation for the VHA Radiation Oncology Conference during January 8-9, 2009.

Your contribution in presenting the overall NRC regulatory perspective and responding to some rather detailed questions was greatly appreciated by all the attendees. With your assistance, this conference succeeded in engaging an audience of physician authorized users, medical physicists, Radiation Safety Officers, and other support staff in an open discussion of the challenges and the opportunities ahead for high quality patient care and regulatory compliance.

On behalf of the VHA and National Radiation Safety Committee, thanks for taking time out of your busy schedule to support us in this important conference.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Anderson".

Charles M. Anderson, Ph.D., M.D.
Chair, National Radiation Safety Committee

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