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March 10, 2009

Benefis Hospitals  
ATTN: Kari L. Cann  
Radiation Safety Officer  
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SUBJECT: LICENSE AMENDMENT

Please find enclosed Amendment No. 48 to NRC License No. 25-12710-01. **This license amendment authorizes Mr. Andrew Andreassen as an Authorized Medical Physicist, as requested by letter dated December 8, 2008. In addition, the NRC has reviewed your request letter dated January 14, 2009 and supplemental documentation dated February 17, and determined no change of control occurred under 10 CFR 30.34(b). Therefore your license has been amended to reflect the name change of Benefis Hospitals. This amendment also removes Dr. Tuley as an Authorized Medical Physicist, Drs. Perry and Gutschenritter as Authorized Users and Ms. Cann as Authorized Medical Physicist for remote afterloader devices only.**

**Please note that your license reflects Sr-90 authorization for the physicians authorized for 10 CFR 35.400 uses, as we discussed by telecom today, March 9, 2009. This change was performed since the Sr-90 ophthalmic radiotherapy device was listed separately on your license. If you determine not to maintain the authorization for the Sr-90 ophthalmic radiotherapy device, then please request that the device be authorized for "possession only." If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.**

An environmental assessment for this action is not required, since this action is categorically excluded under 10 CFR 51.22(c)(14)(iv). You should review the enclosed document carefully and be sure that you understand all conditions. If you have any questions, please contact me at 817-276-6552.

NRC's Regulatory Issue Summary (RIS) 2005-31, provides criteria to identify security-related sensitive information and guidance for handling and marking of such documents. This ensures that potentially sensitive information is not made publicly available through ADAMS, NRC's electronic document repository. The RIS may be located on the NRC Web site at: <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/gen-comm/reg-issues/2005/>.

Pursuant to NRC's RIS 2005-31, the enclosed license will not be made publicly available.

NRC expects licensees to conduct their programs with meticulous attention to detail and a high standard of compliance. Because of the serious consequences to employees and the public that can result from failure to comply with NRC requirements, you must conduct your radiation safety program according to the conditions of your NRC license, representations made in your license application, and NRC regulations. In particular, note that you must:

1. Operate by NRC regulations 10 CFR Part 19, "Notices, Instructions and Reports to Workers: Inspection and Investigations," 10 CFR Part 20, "Standards for Protection Against Radiation," and other applicable regulations.

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2. In accordance with 10 CFR 35.14, notify the NRC no later than 30 days after:
  - a. The date that the licensee permits an individual to work as an authorized user, an authorized nuclear pharmacist or an authorized medical physicist under 10 CFR 35.13(b)(1) through (b)(4);
  - b. An authorized user, an authorized nuclear pharmacist, a Radiation Safety Officer, or an authorized medical physicist permanently discontinues duties under the license or has a name change;
  - c. The licensee's mailing address changes;
  - d. The licensee's name changes, but the name change does not constitute a transfer of control of the license as described in 10 CFR 30.34(b); or
  - e. The licensee has added to or changed the areas of use identified in the application or on the license where byproduct material is used in accordance with either 35.100 or 35.200.
  
3. Request and obtain a license amendment before you:
  - a. Change Radiation Safety Officers;
  - b. Order byproduct material in excess of the amount, radionuclide or form authorized on the license;
  - c. Add or change the areas or address(es) of use identified in the license application or on the license, except for areas of use where byproduct material is used only in accordance with either 10 CFR 35.100 or 35.200; or
  - d. Change the name or ownership of your organization.

NRC will periodically inspect your radiation safety program. Failure to conduct your program according to NRC regulations, license conditions, and representations made in your license application and supplemental correspondence with NRC may result in enforcement action against you. This could include issuance of a notice of violation; imposition of a civil penalty; or an order suspending, modifying, or revoking your license as specified in the NRC Enforcement Policy. The NRC Enforcement Policy is available on the following internet address:  
<http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/enforcement/>.

The NRC no longer publishes the NRC Rules and Regulations loose leaf supplements. However, an electronic version of the NRC's regulations is available on the NRC Web site at [www.nrc.gov](http://www.nrc.gov). To view these regulations, highlight "Electronic Reading Room" and choose "Regulations" on the drop down menu. An electronic version of the NUREG-1556 Series publications is also available on the NRC Web site. To view these guidance documents, highlight "Electronic Reading Room"; choose "All Collections" on the drop down menu; choose "NUREGS (NRC Reports)"; and select "Publications Prepared by the NRC Staff". Then, choose "NUREG-1556" from the table and select the appropriate volume(s) for your license type.

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Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rachel S. Browder". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "R".

Rachel S. Browder, Health Physicist  
Nuclear Materials Safety Branch B

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