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License No. 47-31344-02

Saad Mossallati, M.D.  
Owner/Medical Director  
Associated Specialists, Inc.  
527 Medical Park Drive, Suite 204  
Bridgeport, WV 26330

SUBJECT: ASSOCIATED SPECIALISTS, INC., REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL  
INFORMATION CONCERNING APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT TO  
LICENSE, CONTROL NO. 574648

Dear Dr. Mossallati:

This is in reference to your letter dated February 9, 2011, requesting to add you as an authorized user to Nuclear Regulatory Commission License No. 47-31344-02. In order to continue our review, we need additional information.

NUREG-1556, Vol. 9, Rev. 2, Page D-6, defines supervised work experience and states that a supervisor is an individual who provides frequent direction, instruction, and direct oversight of the student as the student completes the required work experience in the use of byproduct material, as described in 10 CFR 35.290. On the NRC Form 313A (AUD), you have listed that your supervised work experience was performed at your facility under the direction of Dr. Yousef Abdulnabi. However, it is our understanding that Dr. Abdulnabi worked part-time, often after-hours, as an authorized user for Associated Specialists in 2009, primarily reading scans, and then moved to St. Louis, Missouri in July 2009. Therefore, it is unclear how direct supervision of 620 hours of supervised work experience may have occurred under solely Dr. Abdulnabi's direct oversight. Please document the number of hours of training and experience where direct oversight was provided by Dr. Abdulnabi (e.g., number of hours per week and number of weeks when Dr. Abdulnabi was on-site during regular working hours). If applicable, you may also provide documentation of supervised work experience at additional licensed facilities or under more than one authorized user. This documentation should be fully reviewed and signed by both you and the supervising authorized users.

Current NRC regulations and guidance are included on the NRC's website at [www.nrc.gov](http://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 1-866-512-1800. The GPO is open from 7:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. EST, Monday through Friday (except Federal holidays).

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. 574648. If you have any technical questions regarding this deficiency letter, please call me at (610) 337-5006.

S. Mossallati

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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 Janice Nguyen***

Janice Nguyen  
Health Physicist  
Medical Branch  
Division of Nuclear Materials Safety

cc:  
Mark T. Perna, Radiation Safety Officer

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