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Docket No. 03001287 License No. 06-11734-02
Control No. 576357

Les Temkin
Vice President of Clinical Operations
The William W. Backus Hospital
326 Washington Street
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SUBJECT: THE WILLIAM W. BACKUS HOSPITAL, LICENSE AMENDMENT, CONTROL NO. 576357

Dear Mr. Temkin:

This refers to your license amendment request. Enclosed with this letter is the amended license adding Stacy L. Spooner, M.D. as an authorized user for Iodine 131 in quantities less than or equal to 33 millicuries and removing Drs. Esfahanian, Roberts, and Thomas from the license authorized user list. Please note that Dr. Dueker was not added to the license for parenteral administration of any beta emitter, or a photon-emitting radionuclide with a photon energy less than 150 keV for which a written directive is required, because the information submitted did not meet the requirements of 10 CFR 35.396. 10 CFR 35.396 states that the licensee shall require an authorized user for the parenteral administration requiring a written directive, to be a physician who—

(a) Is an authorized user under § 35.390 for uses listed in §§ 35.390(b)(1)(ii)(G)(3) or 35.390(b)(1)(ii)(G)(4), or equivalent Agreement State requirements; or

(b) Is an authorized user under §§ 35.490, 35.690, or equivalent Agreement State requirements and who meets the requirements in paragraph (d) of this section; or

(c) Is certified by a medical specialty board whose certification process has been recognized by the Commission or an Agreement State under §§ 35.490 or 35.690, and who meets the requirements in paragraph (d) of this section.

In our letter dated October 14, 2011, we stated that Dr. Dueker may submit a request to be added to the license for these materials if he can demonstrate that he meets the requirements of 10 CFR 35.390(b)(1) and (2), including 700 hours of training and experience with at least three supervised cases. The 700 hours of training and experience and the casework should be documented on NRC Form 313A(AUT) in Part 1 Training and Experience, Item 3.

Please review the enclosed document carefully and be sure that you understand and fully implement all the conditions incorporated into the amended license. If there are any errors or questions, please notify the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Region I Office, Licensing Assistance Team, (610) 337-5239, so that we can provide appropriate corrections and answers.

An environmental assessment for this action is not required, since this action is categorically excluded under 10 CFR 51.22(c)(14).

Current NRC regulations and guidance are included on the NRC's website at www.nrc.gov; select **Nuclear Materials; Med, Ind, & Academic Uses;** then **Licensee Toolkits, see our toolkit index page.** 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).

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Original signed by Tara L. Weidner

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Enclosure:
Amendment No. 60

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