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Control No. 577652

License No. 08-03075-07

Wayne Frederick, M.D.
Senior Vice President for the Health Sciences
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Washington, DC 20060

SUBJECT: HOWARD UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL, VOIDANCE OF APPLICATION FOR
LICENSE AMENDMENT, CONTROL NO. 577652

Dear Dr. Frederick:

This concerns the letter dated May 14, 2012, requesting to name Jagannadha Rao Nibhanupudy as authorized medical physicist (AMP) for your high dose rate remote afterloader (HDR) device. This request was submitted by Satya R. Bose, Ph.D., your Radiation Safety Officer and current AMP. In the May 14, 2012 letter, Dr. Bose stated that, to his knowledge, Mr. Nibhanupudy is not capable of performing HDR treatment planning and will need additional training.

The NRC views treatment planning as a responsibility of the AMP and Region I does not have the ability to name an HDR AMP who is viewed as not being capable to perform HDR treatment planning. We have, therefore, voided your application. This action is taken without prejudice to the resubmission of your request after Mr. Nibhanupudy receives additional training in treatment planning that will allow Dr. Bose to attest to Mr. Nibhanupudy's capabilities.

Please note that Mr. Nibhanupudy's American Board of Radiology certification in Therapeutic Radiologic Physics from 1976 is not currently recognized by the NRC (see <http://www.nrc.gov/materials/miau/med-use-toolkit/spec-board-cert.html>). Please include in your resubmitted request a detailed description of Mr. Nibhanupudy's training and experience demonstrating that he has completed each element identified in 10 CFR 35.51(b), as well as a new preceptor attestation. NRC form 313A may be used to document this information.

Please note that the office of the Region I Division of Nuclear Materials Safety has moved effective May 9, 2012. Our new address is:

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Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Original signed by James P. Dwyer

James P. Dwyer, Chief
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cc:

Satya R. Bose, Ph.D., Radiation Safety Officer

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