

August 29, 2013

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SUBJECT: NORTHWEST MEDICAL ISOTOPES, LLC. – ASSIGNMENT OF PROJECT  
NUMBER AND EXPLANATION OF BILLING

Dear Mr. Fowler:

By letter dated March 27, 2013 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML13105A138), Northwest Medical Isotopes, LLC (NWMI) indicated its intent to submit an application to construct and operate a molybdenum-99 radioisotope production facility. Prior to the submittal of a construction permit application, NWMI may engage in pre-application activities, such as public meetings and formal requests for interpretations of regulations. To facilitate these activities, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff has assigned NWMI a project number. As such, NWMI should reference Project No. 0803 (PROJ0803) in all future correspondence supporting pre-application licensing activities with the NRC. Pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Part 170, "Fees for Facilities, Materials, Import and Export Licenses, and Other Regulatory Services Under the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as Amended," NWMI will be charged for the hours NRC staff apply to this project, beginning in the current fiscal quarter. Accordingly, NRC staff has assigned a billable technical assignment control (TAC) number (MF2288) to NWMI's project. All NRC staff time devoted to pre-licensing activities, beyond an initial introductory presentation of technological and licensing concepts, conducted specifically in support of NWMI's anticipated application for a construction permit, will be charged to this TAC number. However, recognizing the unique licensing considerations that medical radioisotope production facilities may pose, NRC staff will not charge NWMI for time spent developing generic licensing infrastructure and guidance.

Following the receipt and acceptance of a construction permit application, NWMI will be assigned a formal docket number. Specific licensing tasks will be assigned additional TAC numbers and NWMI will be billed for the NRC staff's hours applied to those TAC numbers in accordance with 10 CFR Part 170. Following the issuance of an operating license, NWMI will be billed, as applicable, an annual fee in accordance with 10 CFR Part 171, "Annual Fees for

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Any questions regarding this matter may be addressed to me directly at 301-415-1524 or [Steven.Lynch@nrc.gov](mailto:Steven.Lynch@nrc.gov).

Sincerely,

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