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August 26, 2013

Docket No. 03038622 Control No. 581561 License No.

06-35047-01

Ken Aldrich Chief Operating Officer The New Haven Central Hospital for Veterinary Medicine, Inc. 843 State Street New Haven, CT 06511

SUBJECT: THE NEW HAVEN CENTRAL HOSPITAL FOR VETERINARY MEDICINE, INC., REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT TO LICENSE, CONTROL NO. 581561

Dear Mr. Aldrich:

This is in reference to your letter dated August 9, 2013, and August 21, 2013, requesting to amend Nuclear Regulatory Commission License No. 06-35047-01. In order to continue our review, we need the following additional information:

- 1. As stipulated in Ms. Ullrich's letter to you on March 29, 2013, in order to have an animal release criteria of 0.5 millirem per hour measured at 1 meter from the animal, the animal and its owner needs to be pre-screened to determine if the release of the animal can be accomplished under the limitations of the owner's care. It also requires that you perform post-administration evaluations of the animal to ensure that instructions are followed or if instructions need amended. Your request did not commit to these items. The licensee must assure that the dose to individual members of the public (including family members) from a cat treated with I-131 does not exceed the 100 millirem annual public dose limit in 10 CFR 20.1301. Please commit to pre-screening the animal and its owner before using this release criteria and to perform post-administration evaluations of the animal to ensure that instructions of the animal and its owner before using this release criteria and to perform post-administration evaluations of the animal to ensure that instructions need amended.
- 2. In your letter you informed us that you would be changing your legal name to "Central Hospital for Veterinary Medicine." You did not inform us when this change will occur. When will the legal name be changed?
- 3. You are moving into your new facility located at 4 Devine Street, North Haven, Connecticut, on November 1, 2013; however it appears that you wish to use the outside storage area earlier than this date. This location may be added to your license once it is no longer occupied by any previous tenants. Is this location new construction? If not, when will the previous occupants vacate the facility?
- 4. You referenced 10 CFR 35 in your letter associated with holding radioactive waste for decay. Please note that you are not licensed under 10 CFR 35. You authorization for

allowing radioactive waste to decay is contained in License Condition 14. You must comply with this license condition. You do not need to response to this paragraph.

Current NRC regulations and guidance are included on the NRC's website at <u>www.nrc.gov</u>; 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 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 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. 581561. If you have any technical questions regarding this deficiency letter, please call me at (610) 337-5366.

The NRC's Safety Culture Policy Statement became effective in June 2011. While a policy statement and not a regulation, it sets forth the agency's *expectations* for individuals and organizations to establish and maintain a positive safety culture. You can access the policy statement and supporting material that may benefit your organization on NRC's safety culture Web site at http://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/regulatory/enforcement/safety-culture.html. We strongly encourage you to review this material and adapt it to your particular needs in order to develop and maintain a positive safety culture as you engage in NRC-regulated activities.

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 Dennis R. Lawyer

Dennis R. Lawyer Health Physicist Commercial and R&D Branch Division of Nuclear Materials Safety

cc: Lance Rozear, Radiation Safety Officer K. Aldrich

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