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Dear Dr. Jankovich,

Based upon our own review and your recommendation, IMS hereby withdraws its application for the above referenced SSDR.

Thank you to your team and yourself for the assistance. We shall pursue this with a new application at a later date.

Very best regards,

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Mr. Buckman,

Based on the design change which you described in your e-mail below, I suggest that you withdraw your application, dated April 3, 2013, and submit to us a new application.

I ask you that please send us an application containing a complete set of documents and drawings, which could send on its own. If you were to refer back to some chapter or to some drawing in the April 3, 2013, application, it could become awkward in the future to find, in the NRC permanent electronic records system, all the relevant information without confusion.

You can send us the withdrawal in an e-mail or in a letter.

If you want to discuss this issue further, please call me at 301 415-7904 or send another e-mail.

John Jankovich

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Dr. Jankovich,

Our SSSDR includes the use of an electrically actuated source shutter assembly. While IMS has many of these in operation world wide, we have traditionally used pneumatically actuated shutter assemblies here in the USA. I think for the purposes of our initial submittal for the new isotope thickness gauge, I will change this from electrically actuated to pneumatically actuated. All other information concerning the c-frame and rest of the gauge is the same.

Sir, in your opinion, should we correct our SSSDR to reflect the pneumatic shutter assembly, or should we withdraw our application and resubmit it in a fresh way.

I thank you in advance for your guidance on this. And very best regards,

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Mr. Buckman,

We grant the extension to respond to our question as you requested in your e-mail below.

I am looking forward to working with you. If you need further information, please feel free to contact me by e-mail or call at 301 415-7904.

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Dear Dr. Jankovich,

It's been many years since we've seen each other and spoken. I trust you are well.

As you know, our long time employee and my personal friend Frank Festa passed away. It's been hard getting his wife resettled and picking up the pieces of Frank's projects.

I have reviewed with David Artman and our design engineers the letter of questions and discrepancies from you dated 14 August, 2013. I am also aware that Mr. Artman asked for an extension due to the issues with Frank. I am grateful for your approval.

As you know, we have in the last year started successfully manufacturing x-ray thickness gauges. Our application for SSDR is for our isotope version of this same gauge. Our people have completed the answers to your questions with the exception of one. I am completely involved in this project now.

I would kindly ask you for yet another extension of our reply and application of 30 days. That would put the submission date at 15 November, 2013. I wish to review the project and specifically the answers in detail. I wish to make sure our answers are as complete as possible. We do not wish to abandon our application. The loss of Frank has put a kink in our time frames.

Dr. Jankovich, I thank you for the help of you and your entire team in the past, and look forward to a successful SSDR on our new product. We await hopefully for your positive reply.

All the best,

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