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SUBJECT: LICENSE AMENDMENT

Dear Mr. Martin:

Please find enclosed Amendment Number 45 to NRC License Number 25-16773-02 **approving the remodeling of the nuclear medicine department and changing Item 8.H., as requested.** An environmental assessment for this action is not required, since this action is categorically excluded under 10 CFR 51.22(c)(14)(iv). You should review the enclosed document carefully and be sure that you understand all conditions. You can contact me at 817-200-1132 if you have any questions about this license.

You must prepare and submit to NRC a Final Status Survey (FSS) report for your old nuclear medicine department, if appropriate, when you vacate it. This survey report should include all areas within this facility where licensed materials were used and stored. The final status survey is one of the most important aspects of decommissioning a site since it is the primary document supporting the decision to release a facility or area within a facility for unrestricted use. Your survey should be performed in accordance with 10 CFR Part 30.36.

You should identify your wipe test results in terms of disintegrations per minute rather than counts per minute. Key the results to specific points on a facility diagram. Indicate the detection equipment that was used to assay the wipes, the method used to calibrate this equipment, the date of calibration, and specific calculations of instrument sensitivity. Optionally, you can choose to send your wipes to a vendor for analysis. Should you choose this option, you should provide the name and Agreement State or NRC license number of the vendor.

Please reference Mail Control Number 584146 so that we'll know that this is a continuation of this amendment request.

Upon receipt of a satisfactory FSS report, we will issue an amendment to your license that will authorize the release of this facility for unrestricted use.

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.

NRC's Regulatory Issue Summary (RIS) 2005-31, provides criteria to identify security-related sensitive information and guidance for handling and marking of such documents. This ensures that potentially sensitive information is not made publicly available through ADAMS, NRC's electronic document repository. The RIS may be located on the NRC Web site at:

<http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/gen-comm/reg-issues/2005/>.

Pursuant to NRC's RIS 2005-31, the enclosed license will not be made publicly available.

In addition, please note that NRC Form 313 requires the applicant, by signature, to verify that the applicant understands that all statements contained in the application are true and correct to the best of the applicant's knowledge. The signatory for the application should be the licensee or certifying official rather than a consultant. Since the NRC also accepts a letter requesting amendment of an NRC license, the signatory for such a request should also be the licensee or certifying official rather than a consultant.

NRC will periodically inspect your radiation safety program. Failure to conduct your program according to NRC regulations, license conditions, and representations made in your license application and supplemental correspondence with NRC may result in enforcement action against you. This could include issuance of a notice of violation; imposition of a civil penalty; or an order suspending, modifying, or revoking your license as specified in the NRC Enforcement Policy. The NRC Enforcement Policy is available on the following internet address:

<http://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/regulatory/enforcement/enforce-pol.html>.

An electronic version of the NRC's regulations is available on the NRC Web site at www.nrc.gov. Additional information regarding medical uses of radioactive materials may be obtained on the NRC Web site at: <http://www.nrc.gov/materials/miau/med-use-toolkit.html>. This site also provides the updated Training and Experience NRC Form 313A series of forms and guidance, as well as information on the revised regulations for naturally-occurring and accelerator-produced radioactive materials (NARM).

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the NRC's document system (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: As stated