

April 3, 2015

The Honorable Joseph J. Heck, D.O.
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Heck:

On behalf of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), I am responding to your letter of March 2, 2015, providing comments on an NRC proposed rule entitled "Medical Use of Byproduct Material – Medical Event Definitions, Training and Experience, and Clarifying Amendments." I recognize that your experience as a physician gives you particular insights into certain provisions proposed in this rulemaking.

I know that before sending this letter, you had spoken with the NRC staff to discuss your views. We appreciate you putting those comments into writing and submitting them for the record. The staff is reviewing all of the comment letters received on the proposed rulemaking, including yours. The Commission expects the staff to provide a draft final rule by December 2015 for our consideration.

As requested, I have directed our Office of Congressional Affairs (OCA) to update you as the process moves forward. Specifically, I have asked OCA to advise you once the draft final rule has been approved by the Commission and again when the final rule becomes publicly available. If you have any additional comments or questions in the interim, please contact me or Eugene Dacus, Director of OCA, at (301) 415-1776.

Sincerely,

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Stephen G. Burns