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SUBJECT: FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR THE NORTHWEST
MEDICAL ISOTOPES, LLC, MEDICAL RADIOISOTOPE PRODUCTION
FACILITY CONSTRUCTION PERMIT APPLICATION (CAC NO. MF6135)

Dear Mr. Fowler:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff has completed the final environmental impact statement (EIS) for the Northwest Medical Isotopes, LLC, (NWMI) medical radioisotope production facility construction permit application. Enclosed is a copy of the final EIS. A Notice of Availability ([82 FR 22858](#)) was published in the *Federal Register* on May 18, 2017, advising the public that the final EIS is available at the NRC public document room (PDR) or from the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC website at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. The accession number for the final EIS is ML17130A862. In addition, the Daniel Boone Regional Library located at 100 West Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65203, has agreed to make the final EIS available.

As discussed in Chapter 6 of the final EIS, the NRC staff's recommendation, unless safety issues mandate otherwise, is the issuance of the construction permit to NWMI. This recommendation is based on: (1) NWMI's Environmental Report; (2) the NRC staff's consultation with Federal, State, and local agencies, as well as Tribal officials; (3) the NRC staff's independent environmental review; and (4) the NRC staff's consideration of public comments.

A separate Notice of Availability of the final EIS will be placed in the *Federal Register* by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

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If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. David Drucker, Project Manager, for the environmental review of the NWMI construction permit application, by telephone at 301-415-6223 or by e-mail at david.drucker@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket No. 50-609

Enclosure: NWMI Final EIS

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