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May 22, 2017

Howard T. Wall, III
Executive Vice President, CAO
Vassar Health Connecticut, Inc.
d/b/a Sharon Hospital
50 Hospital Hill Road
Sharon, CT 06069

SUBJECT: VASSAR HEALTH CONNECTICUT, INC. D/B/A SHARON HOSPITAL, LICENSE
AMENDMENT AND CONSENT TO TRANSFER LICENSE, MAIL CONTROL
NO. 593101

Dear Mr. Wall:

By the letter dated February 22, 2017, Sharon Hospital requested written consent by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) to a proposed direct transfer of control of NRC Materials License No. 06-08020-02 (ADAMS Accession Number ML17061A173). Based on the information you provided, we understand that as a result of the sale of substantially all of the assets of Essent Healthcare of Connecticut, Inc. d/b/a Sharon Hospital, to Vassar Health Connecticut, Inc., control of Sharon Hospital will be directly transferred to Vassar Health Connecticut, Inc., which will become Vassar Health Connecticut, Inc. d/b/a Sharon Hospital. We understand that this transfer will not result in any change to the location of use, materials, persons using licensed material, or persons responsible for radiation safety at the licensed facility. The licensee name will change to Vassar Health Connecticut, Inc. d/b/a Sharon Hospital.

Based on the above understandings, as more fully detailed in the enclosed Safety Evaluation Report, which documents the NRC staff's safety review of the request, and in accordance with 10 CFR § 35.18, the NRC approves the proposed transfer. An environmental assessment for this action has not been prepared by the NRC, because this action is categorically excluded under 10 CFR 51.22(c)(21). Please find enclosed Amendment No. 28 authorizing the licensee name change to Vassar Health Connecticut, Inc. d/b/a Sharon Hospital. We understand that the transfer will take place on July 1, 2017. The amended license will become effective on the date of transfer, but no later than 60 days after the date of this approval letter. Please note that you will need to notify us promptly, in writing, after the transaction has been finalized and include a signed copy of the sales agreement confirming completion of the transaction. If this planned sale has not been consummated within 60 days of the date of this letter, please notify us in writing. Please contact Janice Nguyen at (610) 337-5006, or by e-mail at janice.nguyen@nrc.gov.

Please review the enclosed document carefully and be sure that you understand and fully implement all the conditions of the amended license. If there are any errors or questions, please notify the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Region I Office, Licensing Assistance Team, (610) 337-5239, so that we can provide appropriate corrections and answers.

Future changes in the licensee's name, licensed use, licensed materials, licensed location, or persons responsible for licensed material require submission of a request to amend the license. NRC approval must be received prior to implementation of the proposed change.

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 Training and Experience NRC Form 313A series of forms and guidance, as well as information on the regulations for naturally-occurring and accelerator-produced radioactive materials (NARM).

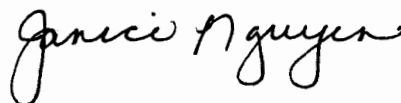
In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the NRC's document system (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web Site at: <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

You will be periodically inspected by the NRC. Failure to conduct your program in accordance with NRC regulations, license conditions, and representations made in your license application and supplemental correspondence with NRC will result in enforcement action(s) 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 at: <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/enforcement/>.

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/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.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,



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Region I

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Docket No. 030-01272
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