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September 14, 2017

Laurel Valentino
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Dear Ms. Valentino:

We have reviewed your amendment request received September 1, 2017, for a new Radiation Safety Officer. We will need the following information in order to complete our review.

You provided that Mr. Pacheco was a Radiation Safety Officer (RSO) on an Illinois license (License No. IL-02466-01). Based on 10 CFR 35.50 and the licensed materials authorized on this license (calibration and reference sources and Ra-223 for medical use), Mr. Pacheco's training and experience is insufficient to be listed as the RSO on your license which is authorized for 10 CFR 35.400, 35.600, and 35.1000.

Please provide additional information regarding his training and experience with radiation safety aspects and/or operating and emergency procedures for manual brachytheraphy, HDR remote after loading, gamma stereotactic radiosurgery unit, and the IsoRay Medical, Inc. GliaSite Radiation Therapy System. Alternatively, you could provide equivalent training and experiences that he has completed.

In addition, please provide a copy of the delegation of authority for the new RSO. A sample of the memorandum is listed in NUREG-1556, Volume 9, Revision 2, Appendix I.

To continue review of your amendment request, we request that you submit your written response to this letter by October 16, 2017. Your response must be dated and signed by authorized personnel and please refer Mail Control Number 600310 in your response to facilitate proper mail handling in our office. To expedite the licensing process, you could fax your response to 630-515-1078. If you have any questions or require clarification on any of the information stated above, please do not hesitate to contact me at 630-829-9887 or frank.tran@nrc.gov.

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Sincerely,

Frank P.D. Trán

Health Physicist

Materials Licensing Branch

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