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May 31, 1979 PETITION RULE PRM-35-1 (44FR 26817)

Secretary to the Commission United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D. C. 20555

ATT: Docket and Service Branch

Dear Sirs:

I am writing in support of the filing of petition for rule making, George V. Taplin, M.D., published in the Federal Register, volume 44, number 89, Monday, May 7, 1979, page 26817. I am in accord with Dr. Taplin's petition for a change in ruling and believe that his recommendations have significant merit. Specifically, I support his request that the commission reconsider and rescind the requirement that physicians must use an approved radiopharmaceutical strictly in accord with the manufacturers package insert. I believe that it is in the best interest of the patient that this modification be considered.

Sincerely yours,

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