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Secretary of the Commission
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington DC 20555

Attention: Docketing and Service Branch

Dear Sir:

This letter is written in support of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's proposal to amend §31.11 of 10 CFR part 31, the general license for the use of byproduct material in certain in vitro clinical and laboratory testing to allow for the addition of veterinarians as general licensees. The premise that veterinarians have similar training to physicians in the area of diagnostic radiology and radiation biology is correct and it is therefore appropriate that veterinarians be considered in the same category as physicians. I, as a veterinarian who is the director of a human clinical histocompatibility laboratory, will obviously support any efforts that reduce the amount of paper work necessary to be certified to do in vitro testings that are routinely permissible to be accomplished by physicians under general licensure laws.

I would like to commend the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for its efforts to establish equitable regulations for the profession of veterinary medicine.

Sincerely,

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