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Secretary of the Commission
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Washington, DC 20555

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I write this letter to express support for the Petition for Rulemaking filed by the American College for Nuclear Physicians and the Society of Nuclear Medicine. I presently practice nuclear medicine in Vista, California, and am affiliated with the University of California at San Diego. I am concerned that the regulations (10-CFR-35-April, 1987) may significantly impact my ability to practice high quality nuclear medicine. My office is utilized as a reference center for San Diego and surrounding areas, and at times I am asked to perform studies which are necessary for a patient's well being (diagnostic and therapeutic), but require the use of an approved drug for a new/innovative indication. The regulatory provisions in part 35 have the potential to make this extremely difficult for me, thus hampering my ability to diagnose and treat my referral patients in an appropriate fashion.

It is my opinion that highly restrictive NRC regulations may jeopardize public health and safety for reasons previously outlined by the ACNP/SNM Petition for Rulemaking. I strongly urge the NRC to adopt the ACNP/SNM Petition for Rulemaking as expeditiously as possible.

Sincerely,

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