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License No. 29-08532-01 Docket No. 030-02514 Control No. 02189

West Hudson Hospital ATTN: Esther Garcia, M.D. Department of Radiology & Pathology 206 Bergen Avenue Kearny, New Jersey 07032

Dear Esther Garcia, M.D.:

This is in reference to your application dated May 11, 1984 request to amend License No. 29-08532-01. In order to continue our review, we need the following additional information:

It appears that Dr. Donald J. Mac Pherson has not been continuously involved in the field of nuclear medicine since obtaining his training in nuclear medicine. The NRC's advisory Committee on the Medical Uses of Isotopes established criteria for acceptable training and experience for physicians during public meetings held on January 18, 1980, and August 18, 1980. These criteria recommend that physicians obtain their training and experience within the five years prior to the date of the application or that the applicant physicians demonstrate continuing involvement in the field of nuclear medicine since the time of training. These criteria have been incorporated in the most recent revision of Regulatory Guide 10.8 (enclosed), which was published in October 1980.

In support of your request, you should therefore:

Submit documentation that Dr. Mac Pherson has been active in the field of nuclear medicine since his training more than five years ago. Dr. Mac Pherson should document continuing involvement by submitting preceptor statements or by identifying NRC or Agreement State licenses on which he is named.

Dr. Mac Pherson may take one of the certification examinations described under "Alternatives" in Appendix A, Section 2 of the enclosed Regulatory Guide 10.8.

Dr. Mac Pherson may document current training as specified in Appendix A, Sections 2.a., 2.b., and 2.c. obtained in at least a three-month integrated program at your own institution under the direct personal supervision of a current authorized user. To document this training, each physician applicant should submit completed Forms NRC-313M, Supplements A and B (enclosed). We would also expect a detailed letter (or letters) from the trainers describing the topics covered during the training listed according to each subject in Appendix A, Section 2.a. In addition, the letter(s) should state whether or not, in the opinion of the supervising physician:

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- a. The applicant physician is qualified to independently use the materials listed in the application, and
- b. The applicant physician is competent to independently perform and interpret the medical procedures listed in the application.

We will continue our review upon receipt of this information. Please reply in $\frac{duplicate}{02189}$ to my attention at the Region I office and refer to Mail Control No.

Sincerely, Original Signed By Jenny M. Johansen

John E. Glenn, Ph.D., Chief Nuclear Materials Section B Division of Engineering and Technical Programs

Enclosure: Regulatory Guides 10.8

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