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Dear Mr. Taylor:

SUBJECT: INFORMATION ON QUALIFICATION OF PORTABLE GAUGE
INSTRUCTORS

This letter is in reference to your conversation with Ms. Kevin M. Roughen of our office concerning your license requirements for portable gauge instructors. Currently, your license does not dictate specific requirements for those instructors. Rather, the license defines your Radiation Safety Course contents and that the Radiation Protection Officer is responsible for the final approval of portable gauge users. Since you mentioned that a license amendment would soon be filed for the approval of a new Radiation Protection Officer, the matter of specific qualifications for instructors will be reviewed at that time.

When our license reviewers evaluate your amendment application, they will use the enclosed guide as a standard for instructor qualifications (Item 7, page 6). This guide notes that the instructor should have training equivalent to completion of an 80-hour course in radiation safety. We would expect a potential instructor to attend a vendor's course for part of that training, and the remaining hours could be obtained from another radiation safety course. A copy of the Health Physics journal is enclosed which provides a variety of radiation safety courses from which you may choose.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please call Kevin Roughen at (404) 331-5565.

Sincerely,

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