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Ref: SA/LAB - Proposed Rule - Registration of Source and Devices.

Dear Don:

Thank you for your letter of October 28 sending us a draft of the proposed rule on source and devices. We appreciate the opportunity to provide early input.

Codifying the current practice of evaluating sealed sources and devices will clarify the regulatory responsibilities of manufacturers. The rule will ensure that manufacturers produce and distribute products in accordance with the registration certificate for each sealed source or device. Further, manufacturers will be required to ensure that quality control procedures submitted with the evaluation will be followed. Such changes will assist in the states' efforts to ensure uniformity in the safety of sealed sources and devices.

The rule supports good health physics and will enable the NRC to better regulate sealed sources and devices. The Illinois Department of Nuclear Safety supports implementation of the proposed rule as written.

Thank you again for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

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