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SUBJECT: JOHNSON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, INC., REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION, MAIL CONTROL NO. 636779

Dear Gregory Hisel:

This is in reference to your revised application submitted September 21, 2023. The items below are organized against and drawn from NUREG-1556, Volume 9, Revision 3, which can be found online at: <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/nuregs/staff/sr1556/v9/index.html>. In order to continue our review, please provide the following:

1. Your application included the prior NRC Form 313 signed by Robert Roose, M.D., M.P.H., Chief Administrative Officer, dated August 25, 2023. Your revised application included a number of changes, including new commitments that are necessary to complete the license renewal process. Consistent with 10 CFR 30.32(c) (<https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/cfr/part030/part030-0032.html>) and NUREG-1556, Volume 9, Revision 3, Section 8.13 "*Certification*," please resubmit your application with a management representative signature. The NRC views a letter signed by a management representative as indication that management has reviewed the application and concurs in the statements and representations contained therein.
2. The application includes a revised request for gadolinium-153, which clarifies that the maximum amount is "*As allowed under 10 CFR 35.65.*" If no source at either licensed location exceeds nor is anticipated to exceed the authorizations provided for in 10 CFR 35.65, the authorization for 35.500 will be struck from your license. Pursuant to this:
 - a. Your application quoted only the Siemens Symbia Intevo Excel, an imaging device, but it was not clear if this device was the only one in use at both NRC-authorized locations: Please confirm no source in-excess of the authorizations in 10 CFR 35.65 are possessed or anticipated to-be-possessed by Johnson Memorial Hospital.
 - b. If the answer to Item 2.a above is in the affirmative: Please provide documentation showing the transfer of the formerly-authorized 10 CFR 35.500 source(s) to a licensed entity (e.g. return to the manufacturer), i.e. demonstrate the absence of these sources from the site, in order for this authorization to be struck from your NRC license. Alternatively, state that no such sources were ever possessed under the NRC license.

3. The application continued to include: (1) a signed Delegation of Authority which quotes an estimate for 8 hours per week conducting radiation protection activities for Johnson Memorial Hospital's NRC license, as well as a (2) a "Contract Physicist Questionnaire" which quotes the other commitments that you have as well as the time estimate for each facility. Both of these documents, having not been updated, include information that contradicts the Johnson Memorial Hospital response to the NRC's Request for Information. As a reminder, the Johnson Memorial Hospital response included: (1) a statement that your commitment to Johnson Memorial Hospital will be 8 hours per month, rather than 8 hours per week; (2) an inclusion of the Hospital of Central Connecticut as a standing commitment of 40 hours per month; and (3) revised and reduced commitments for Saint Francis Hospital (from 56 hours per month to 48 hours per month) and Advanced Radiology (from 12 hours per month to 8 hours per month). Please provide a revised and signed Delegation of Authority as well as a corrected "Contract Physicist Questionnaire."

We will continue our review upon receipt of this information. Please reply to my attention at:

R1DRSSMail.Resource@nrc.gov

Reference – Jason vonEhr

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In order to continue prompt review of your application, we request that you submit your response to this letter within 30 calendar days from the date of this letter.

An electronic version of the NRC's regulations is available on the NRC Web Site at: www.nrc.gov. Additional information regarding medical uses of radioactive materials may be obtained on the NRC Web Site at: <http://www.nrc.gov/materials/miau/med-use-toolkit.html>. This site also provides the updated Training and Experience NRC Form 313A series of forms and guidance, as well as information on the revised regulations for naturally-occurring and accelerator-produced radioactive materials (NARM).

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If you have any questions regarding this request for additional information, please contact me at (610) 337-5256 or via electronic mail at Jason.vonEhr@nrc.gov.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

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Region I

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cc: Erin Miller, Director of Radiology

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