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August 28, 2024

Bryan Parker  
Division of Nuclear Material Safety  
Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC)  
Region III  
2443 Warrenville Road, Suite 210  
Lisle, Illinois 60532-4352

Re: NRC License No. 03-23853-01VA

Dear Mr. Parker

This letter is to notify you, pursuant to 10 CFR 30.36(d) and Paragraph 36.e., of our Letter of Understanding (LOU) with NRC, that a decision has been made to permanently cease principal activities with NRC-licensed materials, as defined in 10 CFR 30, at a VHA permittee site, the Northern Arizona VA Health Care System, located at 500 North U.S. Highway 89, Prescott, Arizona. The facility operated under VHA Permit No. 02-12726-01. The facility will continue operations at the site, excluding permitted materials, after termination of the radioactive materials permit. The permittee signed a notification of intent to terminate the permit on July 29, 2024.

We are working with facility management and the Radiation Safety Officer to terminate the permit, issued under our NRC master materials license, in a timely manner. Based on historically licensed/permitted activities at the site (i.e., medical uses under 10 CFR 35.100 and 35.200), we expect the termination efforts will not require a decommissioning plan per 10 CFR 30. Therefore, we anticipate completing the review and release of the site under provisions of Paragraph 36.a., of the LOU and will notify NRC when the permit termination process is complete.

To assist with our review, we request a copy of the NRC Docket Files related to this address of use. The permittee previously held NRC License No. 02-12726-01 (Docket No. 030-01210).

Please contact Thomas E. Huston, Ph.D., CHP, or me, at 501-257-1571, if you have any questions about this matter.

Sincerely,

**EDWIN**  
**LEIDHOLDT**

Edwin M. Leidholdt Jr., Ph.D., FACR  
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Mr. Parker,

On behalf of Dr. Leidholdt.

This letter is to notify you, pursuant to 10 CFR 30.36(d) and Paragraph 36.e., of our Letter of Understanding (LOU) with NRC, that a decision has been made to permanently cease principal activities with NRC-licensed materials, as defined in 10 CFR 30, at a VHA permittee site, the **Northern Arizona VA Health Care System, located at 500 North U.S. Highway 89, Prescott, Arizona**

Would you please reply to this message to acknowledge receipt? Would you like for me to send a hard-copy as well?

In addition, I would like to request the NRC Docket Files related to this address of use; NRC License No. 02-12726-01 (Docket No. 030-01210).

Please do not hesitate to call Drs. Leidholdt / Huston if you have questions.

Thank you, Mark

*Mark W. Edwards*

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Hey Tammy,

Would you please have the attached decommissioning notification from the VA placed into ADAMS? It can be marked as “**Public, Non-Sensitive**”.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks.

Bryan