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Dear Ms. Davis:

This is in response to your June 6, 2000 FAX on an overview of Nuclear Medicine.

We offer the following input for your consideration.

1. Amend the fourth and fifth sentences of the first paragraph on page 3 to read:

Thirty-one States regulate radioactive material, radionuclides, including certain types which are reactor produced. These states are called "Agreement States" and they have, through a written Agreement with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), established and maintain radiation control programs that the NRC determines are adequate to protect public health and safety and compatible with NRC's regulatory program. Licensees in the remaining 19 states are under direct NRC regulation.

2. We suggest deletion of the third sentence of the second paragraph on page 3.

3. Amend the fourth sentence of the second paragraph on page 3 to read:

State regulations are subject to review by NRC and should meet the NRC's policy and procedures on adequacy and compatibility. In some cases, States have flexibility to establish more stringent requirements.

We appreciate the opportunity to review and comment on this paper.

Sincerely,

/RA/

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