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**NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**  
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December 10, 2004

Docket No. 03034385  
Control No. 135980

License No. 29-30378-01

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647 Bloomfield Avenue  
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SUBJECT: METROPOLITAN ANIMAL EMERGENCY GROUP, PA, ISSUANCE OF  
LICENSE AMENDMENT, CONTROL NO. 135980

Dear Dr. Palescandolo:

This refers to your license amendment request. Enclosed with this letter is the amended license. The facility at 80-H Commerce Way, Totawa, New Jersey may be released for unrestricted use.

Please review the enclosed document carefully and be sure that you understand and fully implement all the conditions incorporated into the amended license. If there are any errors or questions, please notify the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Region I Office, Licensing Assistance Team, (610) 337-5239, so that we can provide appropriate corrections and answers.

An environmental assessment for this action is not required, since this action is categorically excluded under 10 CFR 51.22(c)(14).

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M. Palescandolo  
Metropolitan Animal Emergency Group, PA

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Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

***Original signed by Elizabeth Ullrich***

Betsy Ullrich  
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Enclosure:  
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cc:  
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**MATERIALS LICENSE**

Pursuant to the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-438), and Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter I, Parts 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 39, 40, and 70, and in reliance on statements and representations heretofore made by the licensee, a license is hereby issued authorizing the licensee to receive, acquire, possess, and transfer byproduct, source, and special nuclear material designated below; to use such material for the purpose(s) and at the place(s) designated below; to deliver or transfer such material to persons authorized to receive it in accordance with the regulations of the applicable Part(s). This license shall be deemed to contain the conditions specified in Section 183 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and is subject to all applicable rules, regulations, and orders of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission now or hereafter in effect and to any conditions specified below.

<p>Licensee</p> <p>1. Metropolitan Animal Emergency Group, P.A. d.b.a. Animal Emergency and Referral Center, trade name (Veterinary Referral Center)</p> <p>2. 647 Bloomfield Avenue West Caldwell, New Jersey 07006</p>	<p>In accordance with the letter dated November 4, 2004,</p> <p>3. License number 29-30378-01 is amended in its entirety to read as follows:</p> <hr/> <p>4. Expiration date December 31, 2007</p> <hr/> <p>5. Docket No. 030-34385 Reference No.</p>	
<p>6. Byproduct, source, and/or special nuclear material</p> <p>A. Iodine 131</p>	<p>7. Chemical and/or physical form</p> <p>A. Sodium iodide (solution in precalibrated unit dosages contained in syringes)</p>	<p>8. Maximum amount that licensee may possess at any one time under this license</p> <p>A. Not to exceed 10 millicuries per single unit dosage, and 200 millicuries total</p>
<p>9. Authorized use:</p> <p>A. Treatment of feline hyperthyroidism.</p>		

**CONDITIONS**

10. Licensed material may be used only at the licensee's facilities located at 647 Bloomfield Avenue, West Caldwell, New Jersey.
11. Licensed material shall be used by, or under the supervision of Justin Goggin, D.V.M.
12. The Radiation Safety Officer for this license is John C. Ramsey.
13. Licensed material shall not be used in or on human beings.

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14. The licensee is authorized to hold radioactive material with a physical half-life of less than or equal to 65 days for decay-in-storage before disposal in ordinary trash, provided:
- A. Waste to be disposed of in this manner shall be held for decay a minimum of ten half-lives.
  - B. Before disposal as ordinary trash, the waste shall be surveyed at the container surface with the appropriate survey instrument set on its most sensitive scale and with no interposed shielding to determine that its radioactivity cannot be distinguished from background. All radiation labels shall be removed or obliterated.
  - C. A record of each such disposal permitted under this License Condition shall be retained for three years. The record must include the date of disposal, the date on which the byproduct material was placed in storage, the radionuclides disposed, the survey instrument used, the background dose rate, the dose rate measured at the surface of each waste container, and the name of the individual who performed the disposal.
15. The licensee is authorized to transport licensed material only in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR Part 71, "Packaging and Transportation of Radioactive Material."



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16. Except as specifically provided otherwise in this license, the licensee shall conduct its program in accordance with the statements, representations, and procedures contained in the documents, including any enclosures, listed below. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's regulations shall govern unless the statements, representations, and procedures in the licensee's application and correspondence are more restrictive than the regulations.

- A. Application dated February 6, 1997
- B. Letter dated April 21, 1997
- C. Letter dated October 2, 1997
- D. Letter dated November 12, 1997
- E. Facsimile received December 9, 1997
- F. Letter dated December 1, 1998
- G. Letter dated January 21, 1999
- H. Letter dated February 28, 2000 [ML003688663]
- I. Letter dated November 7, 2003 [ML033440549]
- J. Letter dated January 13, 2004 [ML040330563]
- K. Letter dated February 23, 2003 received March 1, 2004 [ML040780616]
- L. Letter dated April 9, 2004 [ML041060184]

For the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission

***Original signed by Elizabeth Ullrich***Date December 10, 2004  
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