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Subject:			
Follow-up on the CBNC's application for the board processing recognition			
Summary:			
The following is the summary of the teleconference on September 15, 2005:			
The issues that require attention are listed and explained below.			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In the CBNC Training and/or Experience Eligibility Requirements 2006 (COCATS), second column, second paragraph states that your board requires a minimum of 80 hours of work experience in the topics listed in NRC's supervised work experience requirements (10 CFR 35.290(c)(1)(ii)). While NRC does not require a specialty board to provide a breakdown of how the required 700 hours of training and experience are divided between classroom & laboratory training and supervised work experience for the topics in the regulations, it appears by the way the COCATS is stated that a significant part of the 700 hours is spent in clinical areas not directly related to radiation safety. Please clarify how the CBNC assure all CBNC candidates meet the 700 hours of training and work experience in basic radionuclide handling techniques and radiation safety for the topics listed in 10 CFR 35.290(c)(1)(i) and 10 CFR 35.290(c)(1)(ii) and not just the 80 hours of radiation safety work experience in 10 CFR 35.290(c)(1)(ii) listed in COCATS. 2. During our telephone conversation you indicated that some candidates seeking certification by the CBNC receive their work experience outside the U.S. and that the CBNC issues certifications that distinguish the candidates that receive their work experience under the supervision of an authorized user from the candidates that receive their work experience outside the U.S. Please provide the method CBNC uses to distinguish candidates who have obtained their work experience under the supervision of an authorized user who meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.290(c)(1)(ii). 3. In the CBNC Training and/or Experience Eligibility Requirements 2006 (COCATS), first column, fifth paragraph, classroom and laboratory training requirements shall include Instrumentation (this issue was discussed in our previous telephone conversations). 			

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4. You need to indicate when the CBNC certification program will meet (or has met) the requirements in 35.290(a). In responding to the above issues you should distinguish between clarifications provided to better explain the existing program and new changes that have to be made to your certification process to meet the requirements in 35.290(a).

Review of CBNC's application for recognition will continue upon receipt of CBNC's official reply to the issues needing attention that are listed and explained above.

Action	The CBNC will submit another application including the NRC staff recommendations.
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