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Dear Sirs,

In reply to Docket No. PRM-170-3, I wish to support the petition filed by the American College of Nuclear Physicians and the Society of Nuclear Medicine requesting that the NRC amend its regulations governing the licensing, inspection, and annual fees charged to its licensees.

In 1970, the annual license fee to this institution was \$120.00. In 1991, the fee increased to \$3500.00 and in 1992, the fee again increased, this time to \$4750.00. This 1992 fee is 13.57% of the budgeted amount for radiopharmaceuticals. At this time, due to various reasons, the nuclear medicine test requests have dwindled, therefore, the impact of that \$4750 is even greater than the percentage indicates.

Small volume nuclear medicine departments like ours cannot continue with increases in fee amounts as the above. I support the petition and am hopeful that there will be some fee relief for small departments like ours.

Sincerely,

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