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Dear Commissioners:

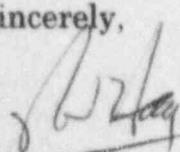
I am writing in support of the application by David A. Graham, M.D., to become an authorized user of nuclear byproduct material for cardiac imaging.

Dr. Graham has worked closely with the Department of Nuclear Medicine under the supervision of its directors at the St. John Partridge Woods facility (43750 Garfield Road, Clinton Township, MI 48038) from early 1992 to the present. During this period he has acquired at least 500 hours of experience related to nuclear cardiology. He has directly participated in stress testing with myocardial perfusion imaging, averaging one day per week with 2-3 myocardial perfusion studies per day.

Dr. Graham is familiar with and has demonstrated competence in all aspects of these studies, including selection of patients for stress testing, hemodynamic and clinical monitoring of patients during stress testing, and the timing and mechanics of radiopharmaceutical administration to patients. He has been instructed in and has demonstrated competence in ordering, receiving, and unpacking radioactive materials and in performing and recording related surveys; in calculating and preparing dosages; in preventing misadministrations of byproduct material; in proper handling of spills and decontamination procedures; and in elution, testing, and processing of Tc-99m from Mo-99/Tc-99m generators.

I believe that Dr. Graham is appropriately trained and experienced in the proper use of radiopharmaceuticals for cardiac imaging, and I am certain that he will act conscientiously as an authorized user of byproduct material.

Sincerely,


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