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Attention: Document Control Desk
Director, Division of Fuel Management
Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555-0001

SUBJECT: CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE NO. 9290, Rev 8
Docket #71-9290
MODEL NO. F-430/GC-40 Transport Package.

Hello,

Pursuant to 10 CFR 71.38, Best Theratronics requests a renewal to the Certificate of Compliance No. 9290, which will expire on February 28, 2022.

Thank you for your consideration on this matter. If you have any questions please contact me at the telephone number or email address provided below.

Sincerely,



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Included: Certificate of Compliance 9290, Rev 8
Safety Evaluation Report

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**CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE
FOR RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL PACKAGES**

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2. PREAMBLE

- a. This certificate is issued to certify that the package (packaging and contents) described in Item 5 below meets the applicable safety standards set forth in Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 71, "Packaging and Transportation of Radioactive Material."
- b. This certificate does not relieve the consignor from compliance with any requirement of the regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation or other applicable regulatory agencies, including the government of any country through or into which the package will be transported.

3. THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED ON THE BASIS OF A SAFETY ANALYSIS REPORT OF THE PACKAGE DESIGN OR APPLICATION

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| a. ISSUED TO (<i>Name and Address</i>)
Best Theratronics
413 March Road
Ottawa, Ontario
Canada K2K 0E4 | b. TITLE AND IDENTIFICATION OF REPORT OR APPLICATION
Best Theratronics application dated October 10, 2017,
as supplemented. |
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4. CONDITIONS

This certificate is conditional upon fulfilling the requirements of 10 CFR Part 71, as applicable, and the conditions specified below.

5.

(a) Packaging

- (1) Model No. F-430/GC-40 Transport Package

- (2) Description

The Model No. F-430/GC-40 Transport package is designed to transport MDS Nordion's Gammacell-40 (GC-40) irradiator containing cesium-137 sealed sources in special form. The F-430 overpack provides impact and thermal protection for the radioactive contents. Containment is provided by the special form sealed source and shielding is provided by the GC-40 irradiator body.

The F-430 is stainless steel cylindrical package with a 50" diameter and a height of 50" that is placed on a removable mild steel skid. The maximum weight of the package is 7000 pounds. The maximum weight of the GC-40 contents is 3835 pounds.

The overpack consists of nested cylindrical shells. The shells are made from stainless steel and the volume between the shells is filled with rigid foam. This foam provides insulation during an accidental fire. Vent holes, plugged with material designed to melt in a fire, are provided between the shells to prevent pressure buildup and allow a pathway for escape of gases from foam during an accidental fire.

The package contents consist of a Cesium-137 sealed source contained within an MDS Nordion GC-40 irradiator (upper or lower heads). The GC-40 is a research irradiator with lead shielding and a lead filled source drawer.

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5.(a)(2) (continued)

The approximate dimensions and weights of the package are as follows:

Package outside diameter	50 inches
Package height	50 inches
Cavity diameter	36 inches
Cavity height	35.25 inches
Removable skid	50 inches x 50 inches x 8 inches (height)
Overpack weight	2640 pounds
Contents weight	3835 pounds
Maximum package weight	7000 pounds

(3) Drawings

The packaging is constructed in accordance with the Best Theratronics drawings F643001-001, Rev. P, sheet 1 of 3, and F643001-001, Rev. H, sheet 2 of 3, and F643001-001, Rev. B, sheet 3 of 3.

(b) Contents

(1) Type and form of material

Cesium-137 as a sealed source which meet the requirements of special form radioactive material.

(2) Maximum quantity of material per package

2,000 Curies.

6. In addition to the requirements of Subpart G of 10 CFR Part 71:

- (a) The package must be prepared for shipment and operated in accordance with the Operating Procedures in Chapter 7 of the application.
- (b) Each packaging must be acceptance tested and maintained in accordance with the Acceptance Tests and Maintenance Program in Chapter 8 of the application.

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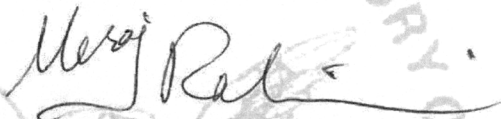
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7. The package authorized by this certificate is hereby approved for use under the general license provisions of 10 CFR 71.17.
8. Transport by air of fissile material is not authorized.
9. Revision No. 7 of this certificate may be used until December 31, 2018.
10. Expiration date: February 28, 2022.

REFERENCES

Best Theratronics application dated October 10, 2017.

FOR THE U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



Meraj Rahimi, Acting Chief
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Division of Spent Fuel Management
Office of Nuclear Material Safety
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Date: December 8, 2017

SAFETY EVALUATION REPORT
Docket No. 71-9290
Model No. F-430
Certificate of Compliance No. 9290
Revision No. 8

SUMMARY

By application dated November 8, 2016, as supplemented April 6, June 7, August 24, and October 10, 2017, Best Theratronics (Best) requested renewal of Certificate of Compliance (CoC) No. 9290 for the Model No. F-430 package. Best did not request any design changes to the package. The certificate has been renewed for a five year term.

EVALUATION

Best requested renewal of CoC No. 9290 for the Model No. F-430 shipping package. Best did not request any changes to the package design or authorized contents. Also, Best did not request any changes to the current operating procedures, acceptance tests, and maintenance programs. Best provided a consolidated safety analysis report (SAR), but in the course of review and verification, NRC staff found some missing information. By letter dated October 10, 2017, Best provided a revised consolidated SAR with all necessary information incorporated. NRC staff has referenced this consolidated SAR in the renewed CoC.

Based on the information provided in the application, the staff concludes that the Model No. F-430 package continues to meet the requirements of 10 CFR Part 71.

CONDITIONS

The following changes have been made to the Certificate:

Section 3b. was revised to refer to the October 10, 2017, consolidated safety analysis report.

Condition No. 9 was revised to now authorize the use of the previous revision (Rev. 7) of the certificate for a period of approximately one year.

Condition No. 10 was added to reflect the new expiration date of the certificate, which is February 28, 2022. This information was previously contained in Condition No. 9.

The References section was revised to refer to the consolidated safety analysis report provided as part of the renewal request process.

CONCLUSION

The certificate has been renewed for a five-year term that expires on February 28, 2022. Based on the statements and representations in the application, the staff finds the package to meet the requirements of 10 CFR Part 71.

Issued with Certificate of Compliance No. 9290, Revision No. 8, on December 7, 2017.