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Atlanta Federal Center
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Region II
61 Forsyth Street, S. W., Suite 23T85
Atlanta, GA 30303-3415

Re: License No. 45-25275-01
Docket No. 3033337

Dear Mr. Cool;

Pursuant to an agreement executed in February 1999, Quest Diagnostics Incorporated agreed to acquire all of the outstanding capital stock of SmithKline Beecham Clinical Laboratories, Inc. (SBCL) on or about July 2, 1999. The EIN number will remain the same (38-2084239). As of the closing date, the SBCL name will change to Quest Diagnostics Clinical Laboratories, Inc. d/b/a Quest Diagnostics. The Board of Directors and company Officers will be appointed by Quest Diagnostics. After the closing, Quest Diagnostics Clinical Laboratories, Inc. (f/k/a SBCL) will operate as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Quest Diagnostics Incorporated.

We understand that currently the laboratory located at 1300 Old Denbigh Blvd., Newport News, VA is terminating their license and is in the process of decommissioning the facility. If you require submission of an amended application or if you have additional questions contact Virginia Sturmfels (Quest Diagnostics) at (201) 393-5580.

Thank you for your cooperation and prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Patricia Maloney /vs

Patricia Maloney
Director, Corporate Medical Compliance
Quest Diagnostics Incorporated