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Mr. Spencer R. Knapp, Esq. University of Vermont Medical Center 111 Colchester Ave Burlington, Vermont 05401

RE: Docket No. GMCB-011-16con, Replacement of PET/CT, Project Cost: \$2,689,631.

Dear Spencer:

Please respond to the following:

- 1. Provide confirmation that the shielding will be tested prior to and after completion of the construction.
- 2. Provide the drawings referenced in the Application (FGI compliance section, page 14) of the entire suite, which were not included in the submitted package.
- 3. Provide the cost of historic and projected upgrades in hardware and software.
- 4. Provide PET/CT capacity for years 2006-2015. In addition, provide projected PET/CT capacity and volumes for 2016, 2017, 2018, and 2019. Explain any changes in capacity or volume with the new equipment.
- 5. The Application states on page 11 that failure to meet the NEMA CT Standard results in a 5% reduction in Medicare payments for CT exams effective January 1, 2016. What is the dollar amount in payment reductions since January 1, 2016?
- 6. Provide the cost impact per week if renovation, installation, and testing were to take longer than the planned seven weeks.
- 7. Specify the line item in Table 1 and Table 3B that includes the \$86,500 for the lease of the mobile PET/CT unit.
- 8. The income and cash flow statements propose no change in revenue with the project for 2016-2019. Given our consultant's opinion that the replacement unit will allow for increased capacity, does UVMMC expect any change in charges or utilization for this same period? If so, provide updated financial statements to reflect the changes.



9. Explain why the amount of excess revenue over expenses on page 22 of the application (\$6,886,778) does not match the figure shown in Financial Table 3C (\$6,800,278).

Sincerely,

<u>s/ Marisa Melamed</u>Marisa MelamedHealth Policy Analyst

