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**IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR LICENSEES USING
Remote Afterloader Units
Teletherapy Units
Sr-90 Eye Applicators
Gamma Stereotactic Radiosurgery Units**

To maintain compatibility with the US Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and other Agreement States, the Radiologic Health Branch (RHB) is requesting all radioactive material licensees who use Remote Afterloader Units, Teletherapy Units, Sr-90 Eye Applicators, or Gamma Stereotactic Radiosurgery Units, to submit a license amendment requesting that medical physicists authorized to work with these devices be identified as an *Authorized Medical Physicist (AMP)* on the radioactive materials license.

If an AMP working in California is not specifically listed on a California, another Agreement State, NRC, or License State prior to April 29, 2008, the AMP will not be eligible for the grandfather provision in 10CFR Part 35.57. The importance of each licensee submitting this amendment request cannot be overstated. After April 29, 2008, AMP's who are not grandfathered will need to apply for recognition as an AMP by either the board certification or alternative pathways described in 10 CFR 35.51. This application for recognition will be lengthy and time consuming for both the applicant and the department.

By this advisory the RHB expects the licensees to submit an amendment request as soon as possible so that the RHB can ensure the AMP user is added to the license prior to April 29, 2008. Those requests received after April 1, 2008 may not be processed in time. Attached please find a form developed for your use for this amendment request. Complete this form and return to the RHB as soon as possible.

Please complete and return the attached form as soon as possible. For more information on this topic, you can Google [STP-06-056](#).

Thank you for your attention and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely

Gary W. Butner
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Radiologic Health Branch

Request for Authorized Medical Physicist Listing on Radioactive Materials License

Please add _____

to our Radioactive Materials License Number _____ as an

Authorized Medical Physicist (AMP).* I certify that the above named individual has sufficient training and experience, as well as appropriate educational credentials and is adequately qualified to perform the functions of a Medical Physicist for the following device(s) noted below:

- Strontium-90 Eye Applicator
- High Dose Rate Afterloader Units
- Teletherapy Devices
- Gamma Stereotactic Radiosurgery Units (Gammaknife)

RSO Print Name

RSO Signature

Date

AMP Print Name

AMP Signature

Date

* Complete for each AMP and return this form(s) only (no other paperwork is necessary) to the RHB:

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