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Caption: Petition for Emergency Variance from or Waiver of Florida Administrative Code 64B23-7.003(1), for Medical Physics in Training License, MPT39 – Temporary Extension through June 30, 2012.

Dear Mr. Bruce Deterding,

Recently I received the notice of termination of my Medical Physics in Training License, MPT 39, pursuant to Florida Administrative Code 64B23-7.003(1), "A physicist-in-training may renew his or her certificate every year, for a period not to exceed eight years." I have been working as a therapeutical medical physicist with MPT 39 license in Florida since the license issued in 2003.

This petition is to request that you and advisory council grant a temporary extension of the effective date of my license (MPT 39) from the current date of November 13, 2011 to the new date of June 30, 2012 for the following reasons:

- 1) I have been diligently working full time in the field of Medical Physics, receiving training and gaining clinical experience while actively pursuing my board certification with the American Board of Radiology (ABR). I have progressed successfully through parts I & II and through four out of five segments of the last part, that being the oral exam dubbed Part III. Having received this conditional pass of the orals, I only have to finish this one final sub-segment of Part III to become fully board certified in Therapeutic Medical Physics. This will qualify me to become licensed in the state of Florida as a Therapeutic Medical Physicist instead of a Physicist in Training. An extension through June 30, 2012 of my current license should suffice to allow me to complete this last portion of the board examination process.
- 2) Losing my Physicist in Training license at this point in time would present an extreme hardship for me because I would no longer be employable in my current job. My employer would be forced to lay me off because I would be ineligible to practice medical physics in the state of Florida without my current license. My current employer is committed to continue my employment pending an extension of my license expiration date and my continued pursuit of my board certification with the ABR.

This request must be addressed on an emergency basis because I did not realize this was my last year of eligibility as a trainee physicist. Had I realized this I would have applied for a variance or waiver more than 90 days in advance of the expiration date of my license.

I am very hopeful of successfully completing my board certification process before June 30, 2012 and thus becoming eligible for my medical physics license in the state of Florida. I wish to continue practicing in Florida for many years in the future, but I need a favorable decision on the part of this council in order to do so.

I look forward your positive (and timely) consideration. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,



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