



December 14, 1999

Dr. John Jankovich
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Dear Dr. Jankovitch:

This letter is to inform you that Metorex continues to pursue the application to amend the Registration Certificate No. NR-701-D-104-B and request an extension of the time to submit the requested information.

A drop test of the modified unit is required for completion of the requested information. At the time the request was received, no drop test had been done on the modified unit and none was scheduled. It has taken more time than originally expected to schedule this test. I would like to request an extension of two weeks to submit the additional information requested. I expect to be able to provide all of the requested information by the end of December 1999.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at (609) 406-9000 x 122 or by e-mail at John.Patterson@MetorexUSA.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John I.H. Patterson", with a horizontal line extending to the right.

John I.H Patterson, Ph.D.
President

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