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FROM: Commissioner Jaczko /RA/

SUBJECT: DEVELOPMENT OF DESCRIPTION FOR PATIENTS' RIGHTS ADVOCATE

Over the last few months, the staff of the Office of Federal and State Materials and Environmental Management Programs (FSME) has been corresponding with a member of the public who is concerned about the professional experience of the patients' rights advocate of the Advisory Committee on the Medical Uses of Isotopes (ACMUI). In order to help to alleviate these types of concerns in the future, I believe that the staff should develop a publicly available description of the type of experience and background that the Agency is looking for when it requests nominees for the patients' rights advocate. I propose that the description be developed with input from stakeholders, and it should be used during future nominations and selections, as appropriate.

SECY, please track.

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