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Federal Communications Commission
Laboratory Division
7435 Oakland Mills Road
Columbia, MD 21045

In re: Application for certification of a Medical Implant Transceiver
FCC ID:LF5MICSIMPLANT

Dear Sir or Madam:

Submitted herewith on behalf of Medtronic Incorporated, 710 Medtronic Parkway, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55432, is an application for an implant to be used in a medical implant communications system that operates in the Medical Implant Communications Service (MICS) band from 402 to 405 MHz under Part 95 of the FCC Rules and Regulations. This application contains a separate request for post grant confidential treatment of certain portions of the application material as identified in that letter.

Medtronic is requesting that the application be processed in a timely manner with the actual grant of equipment authorization to be deferred, pursuant to Section 0.457(d)(1)(ii), until the date specified on the application for equipment authorization, Form 731, or alternatively, to an earlier date to be specified by Medtronic Inc., via written or email correspondence to the Chief, Equipment Authorization Branch.

Deferral of the grant date is requested in order to allow the grant to be coordinated with the public release of the start of clinical evaluation of the product by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). Medical products, such as this new implant technology, require development a pre-market clinical approval regimen through a negotiated process between the manufacture and the FDA. These negotiations and development of the required testing protocols typically take anywhere from 6 to 18 months or in rare instances, longer. Thus Medtronic is requesting deferral for an extended period of time due to the uncertainty associated with the FDA pre-market product approval process.

Pursuant to Section 95.1217, the FCC ID number associated with the transmitter and the information required by Section 2.925 of the FCC Rules will be placed in the instruction manual for the transmitter and on the shipping container for the transmitter, in lieu of being placed directly on the transmitter. The application contains a separate attachment showing the format of the information to be placed in the manual. Each implant is given a specific serial number that is permanently encoded in the electronics contained on the internal printed circuit board.

Sincerely,

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Consultant to Medtronic.