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Dear Application Examiner:

On behalf of Ventana Medical Systems, Inc., Northwest EMC Inc is submitting this application for the certification of the Symphony^(TM) Slide Staining System, FCC ID: T652160000. The Symphony system is a high volume tissue slide staining system. It utilizes RFID technology with a module manufactured by Secura Key, A Division of Soundcraft.

The radio transmits at 13.56MHz at a low output power. The RF functionality is per ISO/IEC 15693 protocols. The radio is part of the Symphony system which will be permanently installed in a hospital laboratory setting. The device will be connected to a dedicated facility power line.

The radio utilizes a four different PCB etch antennas. This configuration satisfies the requirements of 47 CFR 15.203. The technical reports and exhibits demonstrate compliance with FCC rules 47 CFR 15.225.

Your efforts in reviewing this application are greatly appreciated.

Best regards,

Northwest EMC, Inc.