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Securities and Exchange Commission 450 Fifth Street N.W. Washington, D.C. 20549 ATTN: ANNE NGUYEN

Re: CHEMBIO DIAGNOSTICS, INC.

FORM "POS AM" FILED DECEMBER 29, 2004

FILE NO.: 333-116219

AMENDMENT WITHDRAWAL REQUEST

Dear Ms. Nguyen:

Pursuant to Rule 477 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Chembio Diagnostics, Inc. (the "Company") hereby requests withdrawal of its Amendment filed on Form POS AM (File No. 333-116219) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 29, 2004 (the "2004 POS AM").

Based on the foregoing, and pursuant to numerous conversations by and among David P. McLean, Esq., and various persons in your office, the Company respectfully requests that the Commission consent to the withdrawal of the 2004 POS AM.

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact David P. McLean, Esq., of Patton Boggs LLP at (214) 758-3553 directly.

Thank you for your immediate attention to this matter.

Respectfully yours,

/s/ Lawrence A. Siebert

Lawrence A. Siebert President Chembio Diagnostics, Inc.

cc: Richard Larkin @ Chembio David P. McLean @ Patton Boggs