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SUBJECT: ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF BANKRUPTCY FILING BY ARMSTRONG WORLD INDUSTRIES, INC.

Dear Mr. Davis:

This acknowledges your letter dated May 29, 2001, informing the NRC that on December 6, 2000, Armstrong World Industries, Inc., filed for bankruptcy under Chapter 11 of the US Bankruptcy Code, in U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Wilmington, Delaware.

Please be informed that the bankruptcy filing does not relieve Armstrong World Industries, Inc., of its obligations to comply with NRC requirements as stated in 10 CFR Part 31, including those relating to security and control of licensed material. You may not transfer devices containing NRC-licensed material except as authorized by the NRC regulations. You should ensure that your attorney and any trustee involved in the bankruptcy proceeding are aware of these obligations.

Our records indicate that Armstrong World Industries, Inc., acquired at least 50 devices under general license. In addition to its plant in Lancaster, the devices are in plants located in Beach Creek, and Marietta, Pennsylvania. It is also possible that additional devices containing NRC-licensed material may have been acquired by Armstrong World Industries, Inc., for its other facilities located elsewhere in the United States or territories where the NRC has jurisdiction. You are still required to register with the NRC annually all such devices that meet the criteria in 10 CFR 31.5(c)(13)(i).

Please notify this office immediately if you are unable to meet any of these conditions. Also, please notify us when the bankruptcy proceeding is completed.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. You may contact me at (610) 337 5364 if you have any questions or need to provide additional information.

B. Davis
Armstrong World Industries, Inc.

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Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Original signed by Sattar Lodhi, Ph.D.

Sattar Lodhi, Ph.D.
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Enclosure:
10 CFR Part 31

cc:
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