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January 2, 2003

US Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Officer of Public Affairs
Washington, DC 20555-0001

**RE: Principal : Bigelow Laboratory of Ocean Sciences
Surety Bond Number #85715 - NCR Licence #15201-01**

Dear Sir/Madam:

We are the surety for the above captioned. It is our understanding that our bond was replaced by Capital Indemnity Corp. bond number 40002234 effective April 25, 2002.

We hereby respectfully request that you release our bond effective April 25, 2002.

Please acknowledge this release by signing below and returning same in the enclosed postage paid envelope.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sharon Maralia".

Sharon A Maralia
Surety Assistant

Release of Bond No. 85715 for
Bigelow Laboratory of Ocean Sciences
Is hereby approved effective April 25, 2002

Ext. 5076
/sam

By: Claudia M Craig

Title: Acting Branch Chief

Date: 3/12/03

cc: Deffenbaugh Industries, Inc
Scheer's, Inc