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Re: Salem International University NRC License, control number 135738

Dear Mr. Everhart,

Pursuant to our telephone conversation earlier today, please amend our current license to one of "Possession Only." Salem International University is undergoing a re-structuring, and as part of this, I have taken over as Chair of Biological Sciences. In the initial stages of this re-structuring, our focus is on restoring a full undergraduate teaching curriculum. And, for now, we are not conducting any research projects using radioactive nuclides.

We have secured all areas, and isolated all reagents, with any possible radioactivity, and we are conducting a thorough inventory of all our chemicals including any that might still not yet be in a not-yet-fully-decayed state. For now, no use of any existing stores of radioactive nuclides shall be permitted.

Prior to re-applying for permission for active use of radioactive nuclides in our research laboratories, I propose to send one of our staff members to an RSO training session. For the present, in my administrative role, I shall assume role of institutional Radiation Safety Officer. In that role, please direct all inquiries to me directly.

Sincerely,

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