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SUBJECT: ST. JOSEPH'S UNIVERSITY, REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
CONCERNING APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT TO LICENSE, CONTROL
NO. 137061

Dear Dr. Watrous:

This is in reference to your letter dated May 12, 2005 requesting to amend Nuclear Regulatory Commission License No. SNM-343. In order to continue our review, we need the following additional information:

Your letter describes the disposition of the Plutonium-239 sealed source contained within a neutron howitzer. However, the license also authorizes four alpha-emitting check sources of Plutonium-239. On June 8, 2005, I spoke with John Tudor, Ph.D. and he stated that he had documentation indicating that the sources were disposed of as waste about ten years ago. In order to terminate the license as requested, please provide the documentation for our review.

Current NRC regulations and guidance are available at the NRC web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/materials/miau/mat-toolkits.html> and <http://www.nrc.gov/who-we-are/governing-laws.html> or by contacting the Government Printing Office (GPO) toll-free at 1-888-293-6498. The GPO is open from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. EST, Monday through Friday (except Federal holidays).

We will continue our review upon receipt of this information. Please reply to my attention at the Region I Office and refer to Mail Control No. 137061. If you have any technical questions regarding this deficiency letter, please call me at (610) 337-5075.

J. Watrous
St. Joseph's University

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If we do not receive a reply from you within 30 calendar days from the date of this letter, we will assume that you do not wish to pursue your application.

Sincerely,

Original signed by Steven Courtemanche

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cc:
John J. Tudor, Ph.D., Radiation Safety Officer

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