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Mr. Courtemanche,

In response to your notice of our license violation: Salem International University had violated code 10 CFR 30.34(b) due to change of ownership of the university. This ownership transfer occurred in June 2005. This ownership transfer occurred without providing the Nuclear Regulatory Commission full information on the transfer and without advance written consent from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Salem International University is taking steps to correct this problem. In November 2005 we hosted an inspection from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. The inspector (Mr. Courtemanche) advised the Radiation Safety Officer that most all materials were no longer radioactive and were ready for disposal. The exception to this was that a small amount of ^3H -thymidine was identified as still being active. Subsequent to the inspection, all totally decayed radionuclides were resurveyed and sent to disposal. The vial of ^3H -thymidine was moved to Room 240 in CHS (Carlson Hall of Science). We are currently working with New England Nuclear for its proper disposal. The Radiation Safety Officer at Salem International University is currently working on a document to document the change of ownership.

The corrective steps we are taking to clear up this problem will be:

- 1) Submit a change of ownership document to the NRC and
- 2) Properly dispose of the ^3H -thymidine we are currently storing.

We expect to be in full compliance, with Nuclear Regulatory Commission receipt of follow-up documentation, no later than 1 March 2006.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Loren A. Bertocci".

CC: R. J. Reynolds, President SIU