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SUBJECT: LICENSE AMENDMENT

Please find enclosed Amendment No. 01 to NRC License No. 50-27794-01, **authorizing Mr. Fred Wallis as the contact official regarding your NRC license and Mr. Garth Elsdon as the Radiation Safety Officer on your license. Please note that Item 8.A. has a total possession limit authorized on your license as agreed in our telephone conversation on June 30, 2006. Although the maximum amount authorized on your license is greater than the Increased Control limit for californium-252, it is understood that you do not currently possess the respective quantity of concern for this radionuclide. Please recognize that during a source exchange, you should control the sources so they are not collocated. If at any time the sources are collocated and the combined activity exceeds the quantity of concern, then the Increased Control orders shall be implemented. At that time, please submit a notification to the Director, Office of Nuclear Materials Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555.** An environmental assessment for this action is not required, since this action is categorically excluded under 10 CFR 51.22(c)(14)(viii). You should review this license carefully and be sure that you understand all conditions. If you have any questions, you may contact me at 817-276-6552.

NRC's Regulatory Issue Summary (RIS) 2005-31, provides criteria to identify security-related sensitive information and guidance for handling and marking of such documents. This ensures that potentially sensitive information is not made publicly available through ADAMS. The RIS may be located on the NRC Web site at: <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/gen-comm/reg-issues/2005/> and the link for frequently asked questions may be located at: <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/sensitive-info/faq.html>. Pursuant to NRC's RIS 2005-31, the enclosed materials license will not be made publicly available.

NRC expects licensees to conduct their programs with meticulous attention to detail and a high standard of compliance. Because of the serious consequences to employees and the public that can result from failure to comply with NRC requirements, you must conduct your radiation safety program according to the conditions of your NRC license, representations made in your license application, and NRC regulations. In particular, note that you must:

1. Operate by NRC regulations 10 CFR Part 19, "Notices, Instructions and Reports to Workers: Inspection and Investigations," 10 CFR Part 20, "Standards for Protection Against Radiation," and other applicable regulations.
2. Notify NRC in writing of any change in mailing address.

3. Request and obtain a license amendment before you:
 - a. Change Radiation Safety Officers;
 - b. Order byproduct material in excess of the amount, radionuclide or form authorized on the license;
 - c. Add or change the areas or address(es) of use identified in the license application or on the license; or
 - d. Change the name or ownership of your organization.

In addition, please note that NRC Form 313 requires the applicant, by signature, to verify that the applicant understands that all statements contained in the application are true and correct to the best of the applicant's knowledge. The signatory for the application should be the licensee or certifying official rather than a consultant. Since the NRC also accepts a letter requesting amendment of an NRC license, the signatory for such a request should also be the licensee or certifying official rather than a consultant.

NRC will periodically inspect your radiation safety program. Failure to conduct your program according to NRC regulations, license conditions, and representations made in your license application and supplemental correspondence with NRC may result in enforcement action against you. This could include issuance of a notice of violation; imposition of a civil penalty; or an order suspending, modifying, or revoking your license as specified in the NRC Enforcement Policy. The NRC Enforcement Policy is available on the following internet address:
<http://www.nrc.gov/what-we-do/regulatory/enforcement/enforc-pol.pdf>.

The NRC no longer publishes the NRC Rules and Regulations loose leaf supplements due to budget constraints. However, an electronic version of the NRC's regulations is available on the NRC Web site at www.nrc.gov. To view these regulations, highlight "Electronic Reading Room" and choose "Regulations" on the drop down menu. An electronic version of the NUREG-1556 Series publications is also available on the NRC Web site. To view these guidance documents, highlight "Electronic Reading Room," choose "All Document Types" on the drop down menu. Scroll down to "NUREG-Series Publications" and select "Publications Prepared by the NRC Staff." Then, choose "NUREG-1556" from the table and select the appropriate volume(s) for your license type.

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Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: As stated