



UNITED STATES  
**NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**  
REGION I  
475 ALLENDALE ROAD  
KING OF PRUSSIA, PENNSYLVANIA 19406-1415

April 16, 2009

Docket No. 03005357  
Control No. 141692

License No. 29-08978-02

Ronald Califre  
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Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation  
One Health Plaza  
East Hanover, NJ 07936-1080

SUBJECT: NOVARTIS PHARMACEUTICALS CORPORATION, REVIEW OF FINANCIAL  
ASSURANCE SUBMITTAL, CONTROL NO. 141692

Dear Mr. Califre:

We have reviewed the letters dated January 24, 2008 and April 1, 2009, to meet the financial assurance requirements for your license. We have no further questions at this time.

The following documents currently provide your financial assurance:

Decommissioning Funding Plan dated November 2006 [ML080360278] and amended with letter dated April 1, 2009 [ML090930469];  
Certification of Financial Assurance enclosed in letter dated April 1, 2009 [ML090930469];  
Letter of Credit dated December 17, 1999 and Amendment Number 1 dated January 30, 2009 [ML090410693]; and  
Standby Trust Agreement dated December 15, 1999 and First Amendment enclosed in letter dated April 1, 2009 [ML090930469]

We thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

***Original signed by Dennis R. Lawyer***

Dennis R. Lawyer  
Health Physicist  
Commercial and R&D Branch  
Division of Nuclear Materials Safety

cc:  
Richard Brack, Radiation Safety Officer

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