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Augustana College
ATTN: Michael K. Wanous, Ph.D.
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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

This letter refers to your license amendment request dated January 22, 2009, to release the Gilbert Science Center (GSC) Room 244, to authorize GSC Room 3 as a location of use on the license, and authorize Dr. Andrew Alton as the Radiation Safety Officer. In order to continue our review, please provide the following additional information.

1. Drawing of GSC Room 3 identifying the restricted areas for use of radioactive materials. Please indicate whether unsealed radioactive materials will be used in Room 3. If so, then please provide the ventilation flow for the room and the designated use of the adjacent rooms, including those above and below Room 3.
2. Resume and information documenting Dr. Alton's training and experience relative to the licensed material held by Augustana College. This may include his position and work at national laboratories, undergraduate or degree programs in which he handled and used unsealed radioactive materials. In addition, please provide any certifications received for training courses that demonstrated radiation protection principles, instrumentation, biological hazards and NRC regulatory requirements and standards.
3. Please clarify the status of GSC Room 217. It appears that this room was listed as a restricted area during the review of your license renewal in 2008.
4. Please provide the Final Report from USA Environment, L.P., as your final status survey report for GSC Room 244. As part of NRC's review of the final status survey report, an Environmental Assessment (EA) will be generated in accordance with NUREG-1747, Environmental Review Guidance for Licensing Actions Associated with NMSS Programs." This document is available on the NRC website at: <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/nuregs/staff/sr1748/>. The EA is a concise publicly available document that provides sufficient evidence and analysis for determining whether to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) or a finding of no significant impact (FONSI). The objective of the proposed action is to ensure that the decommissioning of GSC Room 244 meets the unrestricted release criteria in 10 CFR Part 20, Subpart E. Some of the information required to support the EA includes a brief summary of the facility location, surrounding area, and the use of radioactive materials. If sufficient information is not provided in the final status survey report, then additional information will be requested in order for the NRC to continue with the review and draft EA. The NRC will provide a draft copy of the EA to the State of South Dakota for a 30 day review, prior to final publication in the Federal Register. The EA process ensures that the NRC implements the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 (42 USC 4321 et seq) as part of the agency's decision-making process for decommissioning actions.

Please provide a response to this request within 30 days to the mailing address in the letterhead, above. When responding to this request, please include the license, docket and control numbers indicated at the bottom of this letter. If there are any questions associated with this request, please contact me at 817-276-6552 or by email to rachel.browder@nrc.gov.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the NRC's document system (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rachel S. Browder".

Rachel S. Browder, Health Physicist
Nuclear Materials Safety Branch B

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