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Licensing Assistance Team Leader
US Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region I
475 Allendale Road
King of Prussia, PA 19406-1415

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RE: NRC GENERAL LICENSE
MAIL CONTROL NUMBER 575294

19-31444-01
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Dear Sir or Madam:

Please expedite my application for licensing, mail control #575294.

I am a small business owner/sole proprietor of CEA. I have a Maryland Radioactive Materials license to perform lead-based paint inspections using Niton XRF equipment. I have had licensing in Maryland since 1997 and prior to that in Virginia since 1994. For the past 15 or so years I have had reciprocity with the District of Columbia to perform lead-based paint inspections in DC. In 2009, DC ceased reciprocity. In 2009 and 2010, the District accepted my Maryland license to perform XRF testing in DC. About a month ago, I received an email that I needed a license from NRC to continue with this testing. I suspended testing in DC and currently have three in-progress projects on hold. Last month I submitted an application to NRC, and followed up with a telephone call this morning. I was told the application review process could take up to 90 days. Such a long delay would cause a hardship for my business; I cannot complete projects underway, and am reluctant to take on new work. Most of my business is in Washington, DC. If possible, please expedite my application so I can continue to perform inspections in DC. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Veckman', written in a cursive style.

Mark Veckman

575294

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