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Jacqueline D. Cook, Senior Health Physicist U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Region IV Division of Nuclear Materials Safety Nuclear Materials Safety, Branch B 1600 East Lamar Boulevard Arlington, TX 76011-4511

Attn: Licensing Assistant

Re: NRC License # 40-02331-19

Dear Ms. Cook,

I write to request an expedited amendment to the University of South Dakota's license, to reinstate me as the Radiation Safety Officer (RSO). Edward Lewis, our current RSO and director of Environmental Health & Safety, will be leaving the University on April 13, 2012.

I had served as the University's RSO between October 15, 2008, and January 14, 2009, and again between September 3, 2010, and February 11, 2011, when the position of director of Environmental Health & Safety was in transition. It is the University's intention to promptly activate the search for a new director who will qualify as RSO.

Amendments No. 15 and 18 authorize me as the RSO. The packet of information that I sent to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, detailing my qualifications and requesting appointment as RSO was dated July 16, 2008. Please advise me if you need additional information.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,

Laura J. Jenski, Ph.D.

Vice President for Research