



**UNITED STATES**  
**NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**  
REGION I  
2100 RENAISSANCE BLVD.  
KING OF PRUSSIA, PA 19406-2713

April 15, 2019

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**SUBJECT: THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA, ACCEPTANCE OF FINANCIAL ASSURANCE, MAIL CONTROL NOS. 611841, 611842, AND 611843**

Dear Mr. Conrad:

We have reviewed the Decommissioning Funding Plan dated November 16, 2015, and revised March 26, 2019, 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:

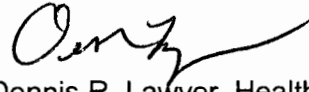
Certification of Financial Assurance dated January 14, 2016 [ML16029A304];  
Decommissioning Funding Plan dated November 16, 2015, and revised March 26, 2019 [ML19099A462];  
Letter of Credit dated April 4, 2013 [ML 13105A250], and amended November 26, 2013 [ML 13344A984]; and  
Standby Trust Agreement dated April 3, 2013 [ML 13133A085].

Your organization uses a Decommissioning Funding Plan (DFP) to determine the amount of financial assurance necessary to fund all decommissioning activities. 10 CFR 30.35(e)(2), 10 CFR Part 40.36(d)(2), and 10 CFR 70.25(e)(2) requires that, at the time of license renewal and at intervals not to exceed three years, the DFP must be resubmitted with adjustments as necessary to account for changes in costs and the extent of contamination. Your currently approved DFP was submitted on April 5, 2019; therefore, your DFP must be re-submitted on or before April 5, 2022. The DFP must update the information submitted with the original or prior approved DFP, and must specifically consider the effect of the following events on decommissioning costs: (1) spills of radioactive material producing additional residual radioactivity in onsite subsurface material; (2) waste inventory increasing above the amount previously estimated; (3) waste disposal costs increasing above the amount previously estimated; (4) facility modifications; (5) changes in authorized possession limits; (6) actual remediation costs that exceed the previous cost estimate; (7) onsite disposal; and (8) use of a settling pond. If the amount of the financial assurance instrument will be adjusted to match the DFP, this cannot be done until the updated DFP is approved by the NRC. If the financial assurance instrument is revised (amended) to change the amount of financial assurance

obligated, then you will need to also submit a revised Certificate of Financial Assurance (CFA) with the new amount.

Thank You for your cooperation.

Sincerely,



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and Academic Branch  
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Region I

License Nos. 08-02075-03

SUD-157

SNM-164

Docket Nos. 03000638

04006329

07000190

Mail Control Nos. 611841

611842

611843

cc: Mahmoud S. Haleem, Radiation Safety Officer  
Louis P. Alar, Director, EH&S

THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA, ACCEPTANCE OF FINANCIAL ASSURANCE,  
MAIL CONTROL NOS. 611841, 611842, AND 622843 DATED April 15, 2019

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