



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555-0001

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Central Montana Medical Center
ATTN: Pete Brekhus
Controller
408 Wendell Avenue
Lewistown, Montana 59457

Gentlemen:

This is in response to your letter dated August 23, 1993, requesting that NRC reconsider Central Montana Medical Center's unique relationship with Fergus County, Montana, and change your status to the small entity classification for governmental jurisdictions with a population of less than 20,000. Central Montana Medical Center was billed for the FY 1991, FY 1992 and FY 1993 annual fees for License No. 25-18307-01 under Invoice Nos. AM06922-91, AM05805-92 and AM06056-93, respectively.

I apologize for the delay in responding to your request. As Ms. Glenda Jackson of my staff explained in her February 22, 1994, telephone conversation with you, we believed we had responded to your August 23, 1993, letter in the fall of 1993. However, since we have been unable to find a copy of the response in our files and you have no record of receiving it, we assume that the letter did not get mailed. I am sorry for any inconvenience this has caused the Medical Center.

A small entity certification (NRC Form 526) was submitted for the FY 1991 annual fee indicating that the Medical Center qualified as a small entity under NRC's size standards for licensees with annual gross receipts of \$3,500,000 or less, and the reduced fee of \$1,800 was paid. For FY 1992, a small entity certification was submitted indicating that the Medical Center qualified as a small entity under NRC's size standard for governmental jurisdictions with a population of 20,000 to 50,000, and the reduced fee of \$1,800 was paid. In her letter of October 28, 1992, Ms. Cheryl Phillips advised you that the Medical Center does not qualify for the reduced annual fee for FY 1992 under the size standard for government jurisdictions. As Ms. Jackson explained in the February 22, 1994, telephone conversation, the NRC's small entity size standards are applicable only to the licensee. Therefore, since the license is issued to Central Montana Medical Center, not the County of Fergus, the small entity size standard for governmental jurisdictions is not applicable. Accordingly, your small entity certification for Invoice AM05805-92 is not acceptable. For FY 1993, a small entity certification was not submitted, and the full annual fee of \$5,220 was paid.

The balance due for Invoice AM05805-92 through March 18, 1994, is \$3,703.89, which includes interest, penalties, and administrative charges. However, due to the amount of time it has taken to provide you with this information, I will waive interest, penalties, and administrative charges that have accrued for Invoice AM05805-92 if the remaining principal of \$2,950 is received within 30 days from the date of this letter. If you qualify as a small entity for

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Central Montana Medical Center

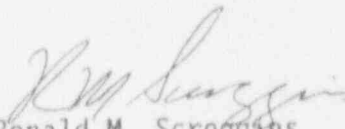
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FY 1992 under a different size standard and so certify by completing the enclosed NRC Form 526, the annual fee would be reduced accordingly.

If you have any further questions regarding this matter, please contact Ms. Jackson at (301) 492-8740.

Sincerely,


Ronald M. Scroggins
Deputy Chief Financial
Officer/Controller

Enclosure:
NRC Form 526 (FY 1992)

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| <p>NRC FORM 526 (8-92) 10 CFR 171*</p> <p style="text-align: center;">U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CERTIFICATION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS FOR PURPOSES OF ANNUAL FEES IMPOSED UNDER 10 CFR PART 171</p> <p><i>See instructions on reverse side. All items MUST be completed—print or type. Incomplete forms will be returned.</i></p> | <p>INVOICE NUMBER</p> <hr/> <p>LICENSE NUMBER</p> |
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NAME AND ADDRESS OF LICENSEE (as it appears on the invoice):

NOTE: See instruction No. 2 on the reverse side -- Check one box only.

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| 1. | BUSINESS OR NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION WITH GROSS ANNUAL RECEIPTS OF: | MAXIMUM ANNUAL FEE PER LICENSED CATEGORY |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> A. \$250,000 TO \$3,500,000 | \$1,800 |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> B. LESS THAN \$250,000 | \$ 400 |
| 2. | PRIVATE PRACTICE PHYSICIAN WITH GROSS ANNUAL RECEIPTS OF: | MAXIMUM ANNUAL FEE PER LICENSED CATEGORY |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> A. \$250,000 TO \$1,000,000 | \$1,800 |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> B. LESS THAN \$250,000 | \$ 400 |
| 3. | GOVERNMENTAL JURISDICTION WITH A POPULATION OF: | MAXIMUM ANNUAL FEE PER LICENSED CATEGORY |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> A. 20,000 TO 50,000 | \$1,800 |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> B. LESS THAN 20,000 | \$ 400 |
| 4. | EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION THAT IS SUPPORTED BY A QUALIFYING GOVERNMENTAL JURISDICTION WITH A POPULATION OF: | MAXIMUM ANNUAL FEE PER LICENSED CATEGORY |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> A. 20,000 TO 50,000 | \$1,800 |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> B. LESS THAN 20,000 | \$ 400 |
| 5. | <input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION THAT IS NOT STATE OR PUBLICLY SUPPORTED, AND HAS 500 OR LESS EMPLOYEES | \$1,800 |

CERTIFICATION

This certification must be signed by the owner of the entity named above or an official empowered to act on behalf of the entity.

I certify that the above named NRC licensee qualifies as a small entity under the size standards established by the NRC for its licensees on November 6, 1991, (56 FR 56671) and in accordance with Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 171, as revised (56 FR 57587). The licensee qualifies as a small entity under the specific size standard indicated above.

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I CERTIFY UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT THE FOREGOING IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

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March 9, 1994

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