

September 17, 1993

Mr. James M. Taylor Executive Director for Operations United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

Dear Mr. Taylor,

As per a letter from you dated 8/6/93 and entitled "NOTICE TO NONPROFIT EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION LICENSEES", Delaware Valley College would like to file an exemption request for annual fees.

The enclosed fee bill is for \$2120. For the government to expect us to come up with this kind (or any amount!) of money simply to own a pair of gas chromatographs is insane. The chemistry department, the only users of the instruments if they were in service, only has an annual budget of \$20,000. How can the government expect us to use 10% of it just to own these instruments? These instruments <u>do not</u> generate <u>any cost</u> to the government except what the government itself wants to generate in the way of paperwork. We use up no radioisotopes, we generate nothing to dispose of and keep track of. The instruments are glorified smoke detectors. I suppose the government is going to license all home owners with smoke detectors next-and charge them a fee of course?

I have several questions. First, does this letter qualify as a request for exemption of this fee or do I have to fill out some sort of special form? You enclosed a form, "NRC Form 526", that appears to be designed to allow us to request a particular fee category, but that is not what we want to do. We need an exemption. In addition, I can't tell which box to check on this sheet even if I wanted to. The State of Pennsylvania supports the College to a small extent, but not completely like the Temple and Penn State Universities; we are basically a small private institution. In addition, as I pointed out in the above paragraph, the chemistry department only gets a small portion of the College's funds to support the chemistry programs.

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Secondly, will you please forward any forms and specific instructions for us to give up our license and return the Ni⁶³ detectors to the manufacturer of the instruments. I have already contacted them (Tracor, in Texas) regarding costs (and such) in anticipation of the government not giving us this exemption. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Charles W. Weber

Charles W. Weber, Ph.D. Associate Professor Chemistry & Biochemistry Department

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U. S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION FY 93 Annual Materials Fee Invoice 10 CFR 171.16

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Invoice Number AM00261-93

DELAWARE VALLEY COLLEGE ATTENTION: RADIATION SAFETY OFFICER ROUTE 202

DOYLESTOWN PA 18901

***** Mark THIS COPY with any billing address changes *****

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TOTAL INVOICE: \$ 2,120.00

Make Checks Payable To:

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission License Fee & Debt Collection Branch PO Box 954514 St. Louis, MO 63195-4514 -== This PO Box address is <=== This PO Box address is <=== only.

Terms and conditions are attached. Nonpayment of your annual fee may result in the revocation of your license(s) in accordance with the enforcement provisions of 10 CFR 171.23 of the Commission's regulations.

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