November 13, 1990

Docket No. 03029444 License No. 21-13583-01 NRC Administrator Region III 799 Roosevelt Road Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Dear Sir/Madam

Upon receiving your letter requesting a responce we contacted the regional offlice and talked to one of your representatives, a Mr. Johns. We discussed the likelyhood that the Hope College license would fall under the rules as set forth in 10 CFR 30.35. After discussing this we came to the conclusion that 10 CFR 30.35 does not apply to the Hope College license.

We did not have a copy of 10 CFR 30.35 on hand when we talked to the NRC representative and before we made the final determination we asked that a copy be sent to us. After looking over the document we have determined that 10 CFR 30.35 does not apply to our situation. According to part III no.1 of letter submitted to us we do not have to satisfy the remaining requirements if we have determined that the request in 10 CFR 30.35 does not apply to our license.

We base our determinaton on a review of the requirements stated in 10 CFR 30.35 and the fact that our PuBe sealed source is only 2 Ci. According to 10 CFR 30.35 we must have more than 100 Ci before the regulation would apply to us. All other sources we have are in the millicurie or microcurie range. It appears to us that this was issued because we have the Plutonium sealed source and since is much less than the amount set forth in 10 CFR 30.35 we feel that it does noot apply in our case.

Please feel free to contact us if you need any further information. I can be contacted at (616)394-7518.

Sincerely,

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