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Material Licensing Branch Division of Fuel Cycle and Material Safety United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555

Re: License SNM-510

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The above referenced license presently carries the expiration date of 31 March 1985. We have your notice dated 01/10/85 concerning this matter. We are hereby requesting a thirty (30) day extension of our license and, at the same time, we are requesting renewal for the usual five-year period.

The extension is needed so that the present renewal application will be 'filed' more than thirty (30) days before expiration of our current license. For what it may be worth, it is noted that although your notice mentioned above is dated 01/10/85, it was only received on 12 February 1985. The reasons for this great disparity are not known.

Your suggestion for simplifying the renewal procedure and saving paperwork is indeed welcome and we are electing that alternative. To that end, we have reviewed our current license and conclude that it represents our current and anticipated program. There are no additions, deletions, or changes. The documents submitted in the past therefore remain up-to-date. NRC regulations have been reviewed, a formidable and time consuming task as you might well imagine.

As in the past, we again respectfully request exemption of any and all fees in connection with this application. Our use of the Plutonium-Beryllium source is for strictly **House**tional apyroases and would seem to merit such exemption. The undersigned is the person to contact regarding this renewal application and can be reached during business hours on 312-968-5333.

We trust that you will be able to grant the requested extension and, eventually, the renewal of our license as well.

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Sincerely,

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