Dr. Kenneth Fowler
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Dear Dr. Fowler:

SUBJECT: ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT NO. 5 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. R-101 - UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT BERKELEY

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A copy of the related Safety Evaluation supporting Amendment No. 5 is enclosed.

Sincerely,

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Alexander Adams, Jr., Project Manager Standardization and Non-Power Reactor Project Directorate Division of Reactor Projects III, IV, V and Special Projects Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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