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Dear Director,

On December 11, 2020, our corporate Health Physicist, Mr. Michael Borisky, telephoned and left a message with Ms. Betsy Ulrich in your office to inform the NRC of the upcoming retirement of our Aberdeen Proving Ground (APG) Radiation Safety Officer (RSO), Mr. Dan Hamilton. Mr. Hamilton's last day was been moved up to today, Dec 18, 2020. Mr. Hamilton was serving as the RSO for NRC licenses 19-12056-02 and SMB-141 since 2019. The purpose of our call was to discuss interim RSO coverage for our licensed activities while we recruit for a new RSO.

Ms. Ulrich requested with a 14 December 2020 e-mail that we submit a letter requesting that our licenses be amended in the meantime recognizing Mr. Michael Borisky as the Radiation Safety Officer until we find a replacement. That is the purpose of this memorandum. We would also like to inform you that during this period, we have made arrangements for Mr. Richard Markland that was the RSO for these licenses from the mid 1970's through 2012 to work 3 days a week to provide additional on-site oversight and control over the licensed operations and program. The licensed operations are essentially the same today that they were during the last years of Mr. Markland's duty as RSO, with the exception of the reduced level of licensed work now as a result of COVID.

Mr. Michael Borisky serves as the ARL Corporate RSO, and managed NRC licenses at our Adelphi location from 1981 until the mid 2000's at which time the licenses were terminated. Since that period, Mr Borisky has been a member of the Radiation Safety Committee for our Aberdeen site, and currently oversees some radioactive material operations at our Adelphi, Maryland location covered under the 19-12506-02 license.

The remainder of the staff that supported Dan Hamilton are still intact to support the dosimetry, environmental, training, surveying, inventories, rad counting, etc.

If you need any additional information, please feel free to contact our Corporate Radiation Safety Officer, Mr. Michael Borisky, at 301-394-6310.

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