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SUBJECT: PENN STATE UNIVERSITY—ANNUAL SELF-GUARANTEE FOR SPECIAL  
NUCLEAR MATERIALS LICENSE SNM-95 (ENTERPRISE PROJECT  
IDENTIFICATION CODE: L-2022-DFB-0000)

Dear Joseph J. Doncsecz:

By letter dated December 17, 2021 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession Number ML21362A738), you submitted to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) a document with a certified amount of financial assurance and associated annual self-guarantee test for Special Nuclear Materials License SNM-95 for the Pennsylvania State University (PSU). The Financial Assessment Branch of the Division of Rulemaking, Environmental, and Financial Support in the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards conducted a technical review of the adequacy of the submittal for SNM-95.

An evaluation of the analysis for the materials license is enclosed. The NRC staff concludes that the PSU self-guarantee agreement meets the financial test criteria for a non-profit college that issues bonds. The PSU conforms to the guidance in NUREG-1757, Volume 3, Revision 1 "Consolidated NMSS Decommissioning Guidance—Financial Assurance, Recordkeeping, and Timeliness," and meets the applicable requirements of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Part 30 and 10 CFR Section 70.25. Enclosed is a summary of the NRC staff's review of PSU's submittal.

As a reminder for the 2022 submittal, the self-guarantee must be submitted within 90 days of the close of the fiscal year. The requirements are established by the Final Decommissioning Planning Rule and the guidance provided in NUREG-1757, Volume 3, Revision 1.

In accordance with 10 CFR Section 2.390 of the NRC's "Agency Rules of Practice and Procedure," a copy of this letter and the enclosure will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR) or from ADAMS. The PDR is open by appointment only. You may submit your request to the PDR via e-mail at [PDR.Resource@nrc.gov](mailto:PDR.Resource@nrc.gov) or call 1-800-397-4209 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. (EST), Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The ADAMS database is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html> (the Public Electronic Reading Room).

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me at 301-415-6201 or via e-mail at: [Richard.Jervey@nrc.gov](mailto:Richard.Jervey@nrc.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "RA Jervey". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped "R" and "J".

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Office of Nuclear Material Safety  
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Docket No. 70-0113  
License No. SNM-95

Enclosure:  
Safety Evaluation Report

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