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SUBJECT: HOWARD UNIVERSITY, REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
CONCERNING FINANCIAL ASSURANCE DOCUMENTS, CONTROL NO.
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Dear Dr. McKetty:

Recently, we performed an audit of the financial assurance for decommissioning records. We found some documents that need to be updated to be in full compliance with the financial assurance requirements. In order to update your financial assurance documents, we need the following additional information:

1. The Standby Trust Agreement with attachments, dated August 28, 1992 and last amended December 9, 2002 had not been updated to the \$1,125,000 amount. Schedule A & B of that document states the previous \$750,000. Please amend or resubmit the Standby Trust Agreement such that it reflects the \$1,125,000 value.
2. The Certification of financial Assurance dated July 27, 1990, reflects the previous required value of \$750,000. This document needs to be resubmitted with the current guidance as stated in NUREG-1757, Volume 3, "Financial Assurance, Recordkeeping, and Timeliness." Section A.2 on page A-17 describes the current guidance. It is recommended to closely follow the model certification of financial assurance on page A-23 of NUREG-1757, Volume 3.

Current NRC regulations and guidance are included on the NRC's website at www.nrc.gov; select **Nuclear Materials; Medical, Industrial, and Academic Uses of Nuclear Material**; then **Toolkit Index Page**. Or you may obtain these documents by contacting the Government Printing Office (GPO) toll-free at 1-888-293-6498. The GPO is open from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. EST, Monday through Friday (except Federal holidays).

We will continue our review upon receipt of this information. Please reply to my attention at the Region I Office and refer to Mail Control No. 138275. If you have any technical questions regarding this deficiency letter, please call me at (610) 337-5366.

M. McKetty
Howard University

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Sincerely,

Original signed by Dennis R. Lawyer

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