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Licensing Assistance Team  
Division of Nuclear Materials Safety  
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
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ATTN: Elizabeth Ullrich

License: 20-8361-01  
Expiration date: June 30, 2016  
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Dear Ms Ullrich:

Thank you for your letter of July 19, 2007 in which you informed us that the possession limits we were requesting for thorium-229 and radium-226 were such that our facility would be required to submit an additional decommissioning funding plan and financial assurance. Since we would be using these isotopes as tracers, we have re-examined our needs. We are therefore modifying our request to allow the possession of 0.010 millicuries ( $3.7 \times 10^5$  Bq) for  $^{229}\text{Th}$  and 0.01 millicuries ( $3.7 \times 10^5$  Bq) for  $^{226}\text{Ra}$ . I believe that these possession limits would not require additional financial assurance. Should have any questions regarding this matter please contact James J. Cherniack, Radiation Safety Officer at (781) 729-5700, extension 713.

Sincerely Yours,

John Marzilli, Director  
Winchester Engineering and Analytical Center

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