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Valco Instruments Company Inc.  
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SUBJECT: VALCO INSTRUMENTS COMPANY INC. NEW EXEMPT DISTRIBUTION  
LICENSE AND SEALED SOURCE AND DEVICE REGISTRATION  
CERTIFICATE

Dear Mr. Stearns:

This letter transmits U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) new Exempt Distribution License No. 42-35437-01E (Enclosure 1) and Sealed Source and Device Registration Certificate NR-0658-D-104-E (Enclosure 2). Please review the enclosed documents carefully to ensure that you understand all the conditions. If there are any errors or questions, please contact me so that appropriate corrections or answers can be provided.

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Sincerely,

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Enclosures:

1. Exempt License 42-35437-01E
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