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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR CONSENT TO INDIRECT LICENSE TRANSFER

Dear Mr. Eades:

By letter dated November 21, 2017, Monsanto Company, submitted to the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) a Request for Consent to Indirect License Transfer of NRC Materials License Number 24-32488-01. Based on the information provided, it is our understanding that an indirect license transfer that will result from a reverse triangular merger between Monsanto Company and Bayer Aktiengesellschaft (Bayer AG). Following this transaction, Monsanto Company will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of Bayer AG. We further understand that this transfer will not result in any change to the licensee's name, licensed materials, persons using the license material, location of use of licensed material, or persons responsible for the licensee's radiation safety program.

Based on the above understandings and as more fully detailed in the enclosed NRC staff's Safety Evaluation Report which documents the NRC staff's review of the request, the NRC consents to the proposed indirect transfer of control. Please note that you will need to notify us promptly, in writing, after the transaction has been finalized and include a signed copy of the final agreement confirming completion of the transaction. Please also include information to support other necessary changes such as a name change. With this information, we can issue an administrative amendment to your NRC license to reflect the transaction, if necessary. Please contact Jennifer L. Bishop at 630-829-9607, or by e-mail at jennifer.dalzell-bishop@nrc.gov if you have any questions regarding this letter.

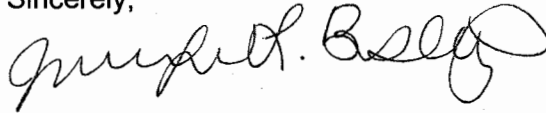
The NRC's Safety Culture Policy Statement became effective in June 2011. While a policy statement and not a regulation, it sets forth the agency's *expectations* for individuals and organizations to establish and maintain a positive safety culture. You can access the policy statement and supporting material that may benefit your organization on NRC's safety culture Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/regulatory/enforcement/safety-culture.html>. We strongly encourage you to review this material and adapt it to your particular needs in order to develop and maintain a positive safety culture as you engage in NRC-regulated activities.

J. Eades

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In accordance with Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS), accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer L. Bishop", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jennifer L. Bishop
Materials Licensing Branch
Division of Nuclear Materials Safety

License No.: 24-32488-01
Docket No.: 030-36488

Enclosure: Safety Evaluation Report