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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Washington, D.C. 20555

Subject: Calibration Source for Manhattan College Zero Power Reactor (MCZPR)

Dear Ted:

As we discussed, in order to calibrate the gamma detectors at the MCZPR up to their trip points it is necessary that we procure an additional calibration source. Our existing licenses do not now cover possessing a calibration source of sufficient strength to accomplish this. We have contacted source suppliers and have received quotes but cannot proceed without licensing coverage.

It is therefore requested that our Facility Operating License No. R-94 be amended to permit Manhattan College to possess and use calibration sources up to 5 mCi source activity. This will permit us to routinely perform the necessary calibrations directly and thus eliminate the concern that resulted in us being cited with a violation in 1991.

Please let me know if any additional information is required. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Reactor Administrator

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