

Babcock & Wilcox Company  
ATTN: W. Russell Hose, II,  
Radiation Safety Officer  
Research and Development Division  
1562 Beeson Street  
Alliance, OH 44601

December 16, 1996

Dear Mr. Hose:

I am responding to your November 22, 1996, letter written upon receipt of the FY 1997 annual fee Invoice No. AM0298-97 for License SUB-1259. You are requesting an extension of the interest-free period which expired November 19, 1996, to April 1, 1997 (the beginning of your next fiscal year).

The bases for your request are: 1) you recently paid the FY 1996 annual fee Invoice (July 1996); 2) recent changes in NRC policy relative to collection of annual fees were not anticipated by your researchers when they submitted their funding request for FY 1997; 3) your fiscal year runs from April 1, 1996, to March 31, 1997, and 4) you did not anticipate having to pay two annual fees within that period.

Based on the information provided, I am granting a one-time request for an extension of the interest-free waiver period to April 1, 1997, in accordance with 10 CFR 15.37(k)(1) and (4). This is for FY 1997 only and is based on the final fee rule not being issued until after the beginning of your fiscal year. The new invoice due date is April 1, 1997, for AM0298-97. If payment is not received within 30 days of April 1, 1997, all interest and late charges will accrue back to November 19, 1996.

Sincerely, *Original signed by*  
Ronald M. Scroggins

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Deputy Chief Financial  
Officer/Controller

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