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**Subject:** Re: Cancellation and Rescheduling  
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Mr. Agasie,

Thank you for the notification of cancellation. We hope everyone is staying safe and healthy during this time.

As you stated, the future remains uncertain during this Public Health Emergency. We recognize and have noted the status your facility will incur due to the circumstances. Unfortunately, given the other cancellations, the previously scheduled facilities, and these uncertain time, we cannot confirm your reschedule to July right now. However, we do have a placeholder for your facility's reschedule.

We appreciate the details and information. When we are able to reschedule and begin examinations again, it will allow us to take into account the facility's needs and prioritize.

Please let me know if you have any further questions or comments.

Thank you,  
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On: 24 April 2020 07:00, "Robert Agasie" <[ragasie@wisc.edu](mailto:ragasie@wisc.edu)> wrote:

Michele,

The governor of the State of Wisconsin has extended the Safer at Home executive order during the current public health emergency through May 26, 2020. I will no longer be able to certify that the applicants have successfully completed the facility licensee's requirements to be licensed as operators. Therefore, I will need to cancel the written examination and operating tests scheduled for the University of Wisconsin – Madison reactor for the week of May 26, 2020.

I recognize that many facilities have already had their exams cancelled and the future remains uncertain during this public health emergency; however, I would like request consideration for rescheduling the exam in July so that we will have the licenses by the start of the fall semester so that the reactor may be operated for classes. Effective May 26, our current licensed staff of 5 reactor operators/senior reactor operators will be reduced to just 2 senior reactor operators as our 3 reactor operators will graduate and leave to take full time positions in industry. The remaining two SROs serve as course instructors and therefore can not operate the

reactor during the course instruction utilizing the reactor.

Thank you for your understanding and consideration.

Robert J. Agasie, Director

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