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Dear Mr. Lorio:

The Department of Energy (DOE), as part of its Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program (FUSRAP), has reviewed information on Columbia University facilities to determine whether they contain residual radioactivity traceable to activities conducted on behalf of the Manhattan Engineer District or the Atomic Energy Commission (predecessors to DOE). A radiological survey indicated that the radiation levels are equal to natural background in all areas not currently in use for licensed operations with radionuclides. Therefore, no remedial action is required, and DOE is eliminating the Columbia University facilities utilized for MED/AEC activities from further consideration under FUSRAP.

We plan to issue a Federal Register Notice listing sites being eliminated from the FUSRAP. The Columbia University facilities not under license will be included in the listing.

The information supporting this decision will be archived by DOE, and a copy of the elimination report will be available for public review between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (except Federal holidays), at the DOE Public Document Room located in Room 1E-190 of the Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C.

If you have any questions regarding this decision, please contact Mr. Arthur Whitman of my staff at 301-353-5439.

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