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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 03011313/2012001, VIRGINIA  
POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE AND STATE UNIVERSITY

Dear Dr. Franklin:

This letter forwards NRC Form 591, "Safety Inspection," indicating that no items of non-compliance were found during the above described inspection of your licensed activities. Please retain the form in your files. No acknowledgment of this letter is required. However, should you have any questions, we shall be pleased to discuss them with you.

Current NRC regulations and guidance are included on the NRC's website at [www.nrc.gov](http://www.nrc.gov); select **Nuclear Materials; Med, Ind, & Academic Uses**; then **Regulations, Guidance and Communications**. The current Enforcement Policy is included on the NRC's website at [www.nrc.gov](http://www.nrc.gov); select **About NRC, Organizations & Functions; Office of Enforcement; Enforcement documents**; then **Enforcement Policy (Under 'Related Information')**. You may also obtain these documents by contacting the Government Printing Office (GPO) toll-free at 1-866-512-1800. The GPO is open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. EST, Monday through Friday (except Federal holidays).

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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Region I  
Division of Nuclear Materials Safety  
2100 Renaissance Blvd, Suite 100  
King of Prussia, PA 19406-2713

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.

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Please contact Randolph Ragland at 610-337-5083, if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

***Original signed by Blake D. Welling***

Blake D. Welling, Chief  
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cc:  
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