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Mr. Jesse E. Lasken
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Washington, D.C. 20550

Dear Jesse:

We have been reviewing proposed Amendment No. 1 to IPA-0001, forwarded by Mr. Bolton on August 7. We are wondering if it would be possible to revise this amendment, eliminating the prior approval of NSF when licenses are granted to certain persons or organizations as listed in Item 2 of the amendment. It is our feeling that such requirement for prior approval shows a lack of confidence in our ability to carry out the intent of the amendment.

We have assumed that the NSF had considerable confidence in our ability to administer patents and that such confidence was a requirement preceding issuance of the Institutional Patent Agreement. We would still be quite willing to document our files for review by your agency at any time, showing that bona fide efforts were made to interest other potential licensees. Accordingly, I suggest that the amendment be revised as indicated in a copy of page 1 of the amendment, attached. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Bob

Robert E. Gentry
Associate Vice President

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Enclosure

✓ cc: Howard Bremer