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March 31,2009

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John D. Kinneman Chief, Security Industrial Branch Division of Nuclear Materials Safety U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Region I 475 Allendale Road King of Prussia, PA 19406-1415

Re: Bristol-Myers Squibb Company

Reaffirmation of Ability to Comply with Financial Assurance Test Facilities in New Brunswick, NJ, Pennington, NJ, and Lawrenceville, NJ

NRC License # 29-00139-02

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Dear Mr. Kinneman:

Enclosed for filing is an original Reaffirmation of Ability to Comply with Financial Assurance Tests set forth at 10 CFR §30.35 executed by, Jean-Marc Huet, chief financial officer of Bristol-Myers Squibb Company.

Please contact me directly if you have any questions or require any additional information.

Sincerely,

J. Richard Pooler

Senior Environmental Counsel

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#### REAFFIRMATION OF ABILITY TO COMPLY WITH FINANCIAL ASSURANCE TESTS SET FORTH AT 10 CFR § 30.35

Under the regulations implemented by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC),
Bristol-Myers Squibb Company (BMS) has provided financial assurance for decommissioning
for the following facility:

Name Of Facility	Location	License #	Amount of	Type of
			Guarantee	Guarantee
E.R. Squibb & Sons,	New	29-00139-02	\$ 8,624,395	Parent
Inc.	Brunswick, NJ,			Company
	Pennington,			Guarantee
	NJ, and			
	Lawrenceville,			
	NJ			

This facility is owned by a wholly owned subsidiary of Bristol-Myers Squibb Company.

Bristol-Myers Squibb Company has no parent company holding majority control of its voting stock.

Bristol-Myers Squibb Company most recently submitted a parent company guarantee to the NRC for the New Brunswick facility in 2003.

This reaffirmation is provided to demonstrate that Bristol-Myers Squibb Company continues to satisfy the regulatory standards for the parent company guarantee based on financial data for our most recently completed fiscal year, ended December 31,2008.

To satisfy the regulatory standards, Bristol-Myers Squibb Company must:

- 1. Have a tangible net worth at least 10 times the current decommissioning cost estimates for all decommissioning activities for which the company is responsible as a self-guaranteeing licensee and 6 times as a parent company guarantor; and
- 2. Have assets in the United States amounting to at least 90 percent of total assets or at least 10 times the current decommissioning cost estimates for

- all decommissioning activities for which the company is responsible as a self-guaranteeing licensee and 6 times as a parent guarantor; and
- 3. Have at least one class of equity securities registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- 4. Have a current rating for its most recent bond issuance of AAA, AA or A as issued by Standard & Poor's, or Aaa, Aa, or A as issued by Moody's.

Because the financial test for self-guarantee is more stringent, it is used to document the reaffirmation of Bristol-Myers Squibb Company's reaffirmation of ability to comply with financial assurance tests.

### Financial Test

1.	Current decommissioning cost estimates				
	a. b.	All decommissioning amounts required by NRC or Agreement States and covered by parent company or self guarantees All amounts covered by parent company guarantees,	\$ 10,499,3	95	
		self guarantees or other financial tests of other federal or State agencies (e.g., EPA).	\$20,352,72	25	
		TOTAL	\$30,852,12	20	
2.	Currer of this	nt bond rating of most recent unsecured issuance firm:			
			A+ Sta A2 Mo	andard & Poor's body's	
3.	Date o	Date of Issuance of Bond: May 1,2008		08	
4.	Date o	of Maturity of Bond:	2018, 2038		
5.	(derive audite footno	Tangible Net Worth (derived from this firm's independently audited year-end financial statements and footnotes for the latest completed fiscal year, ended December 31,2007)  \$ 6,263,000,000			
6.	Total Assets in the United States (derived from this firm's independently audited year-end financial statements and footnotes for the latest completed fiscal year, ended December 31,2007)		\$ 20,034,0	00,000	
			<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	
7.	Is line	5 at least 10 times line 1?	<u>X</u>		
8.	Bristo	least 90 percent of the assets of l-Myers Squibb Company located United States?	_		
9.	Is line	6 at least 10 times line 1?	<u>X</u>		
10.	Is the	rating specified on line 2, A or better?	X		
11.	least o	Bristol-Myers Squibb Company have at one class of equity securities registered the Securities Exchange Act of 1934?	<u>X_</u>		

I hereby certify that the contents of this reaffirmation are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

For B

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Jean-Marc Huer

Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

Dated: March 2,2009

Sworn to and subscribed before me this **2** day of March, 2009.

Notary Public

My commission expires:

BARBARA ANN BUCCHINO NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY My Commission Expires # ly 29 2011

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# INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

To the management of Bristol-Myers Squibb Company

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by Bristol-Myers Squibb Company (the "Company" or "BMS"), solely to assist you in evaluating the Company's compliance with the following:

- 1. The financial test to demonstrate evidence of financial responsibility related to the Bristol-Myers Squibb Company, Syracuse Operations under U.S. regulations or state programs authorized by the U.S. regulations under Title 10 of the Code Of Federal Regulations, Part 30.35 and Title 12 of the New York Rules and Regulations, Part 38.7 as of December 31,2008.
- 2. The financial test to demonstrate evidence of financial responsibility related to the Bristol-Myers Squibb Company, Pharmaceutical Research Institute in Wallingford, CT under U.S. regulations or state programs authorized by the U.S. regulations under Title 10 of the Code Of Federal Regulations, Part 30.35 as of December 31,2008.
- 3. The financial test to demonstrate evidence of financial responsibility related to the E.R. Squibb & Sons, Inc. New Brunswick, NJ, Pennington, NJ, and Lawrenceville, NJ facilities under U.S. regulations or state programs authorized by the U.S. regulations under Title 10 of the Code Of Federal Regulations, Part 30.35 as of December 31,2008.

The Company's management is responsible for the Company's compliance with those requirements. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, as adopted by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the party specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

The procedures that we performed and our findings are as follows:

• The Company defines the term "Tangible net worth" as tangible assets less total liabilities. "Tangible assets" is defined by the Company as total assets less goodwill and other tangible assets. We make no representations as to the appropriateness of these definitions. We recalculated Tangible net worth of \$6,263,000,000 based upon amounts as of December 31,2008 appearing in the

Company's independently audited consolidated financial statements included in the 2008 Form 10-K and found such amounts to be in agreement.

- We compared "Total Assets in the United States" of \$20,034,000,000 to the Total Assets in the United States as of December 31, 2008 reported in the Company's independently audited consolidated financial statements included in Note 22-Segment Information within the 2008 Form 10-K and found such amount to be in agreement. We recalculated the percentage of assets located in the U.S. as compared to total assets as of December 31,2008 as reflected in the Company's consolidated financial statements included in the 2008 Form 10-K and found such percentage to be less than 90% of total assets.
- We recomputed that "Tangible net worth" of \$6,263,000,000 is at least ten times greater than "Current decommissioning cost estimates" of \$30,852,120. We make no representations as to the appropriateness of the calculated "Current decommissioning cost estimates."
- We recomputed that "Total Assets in the United States" of \$20,034,000,000 is at least ten times greater than "Current decommissioning cost estimates" of \$30,852,120. We make no representations as to the appropriateness of the calculated "Current decommissioning cost estimates."

We were not engaged to, and did not, conduct an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on compliance. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information use of the specified parties listed above and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

March 25,2009

Deloitte & Touche LLP

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