Hi Francis – This is to inform you that UVM’s “Environmental Management Plan” is approved for the purposes of the *Alternative Requirements for Hazardous Waste Determination and Accumulation of Unwanted Material for Laboratories Owned by Eligible Academic Entities* (also known as the Academic Labs rule) that is incorporated by reference through section 7-109(b)(4) of the Vermont Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (VHWMR). As you know, when Vermont adopted the federal Academic Labs rule (Subpart K of 40 CFR Part 262) this spring, a Vermont-specific provision was included that requires Laboratory Management Plans to be reviewed and approved by the Secretary (i.e., VHWMR section 7-109(b)(4)(B)).

With this approval, our understanding is that UVM is now managing its laboratory waste (i.e., “unwanted material” from laboratories) according to the Subpart K requirements and that the *University Laboratories XL Project – Laboratory Environmental Management Standard* is no longer in effect at UVM.

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