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Dr. E. O. Lawrence
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University of California
Berkeley, California

Dear Dr. Lawrence:

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Enclosed for your information is AEC 425/20. This paper, particularly paragraph 6 thereof, intends to spell out the best manner, and the one in which I understand you concur, in which to bring the Radiation Laboratory into the thermonuclear program.

Contingent upon The Regents' concurrence in your engaging in this work, I would expect that you would reach a firm and early understanding with Dr. Bradbury as to the diagnostic work you will undertake in support of the Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory program. We would hope to receive a program statement, with an estimate of funds required to support it, following your understanding with Dr. Bradbury. This statement and request should be submitted through Mr. Fidler.

I mentioned briefly to you over the phone our budget situation for FY 1953. The situation is unclear at the moment, and will not become clear until passage of our FY 1953 Supplemental Budget on which we are testifying this coming week. Because of the urgency of this program, it is clear to me that that which is needed to support essential diagnostic work will somehow be made available. Depending upon the language of the appropriation act which is passed, however, we may be restricted in constructing any facilities not now in the budget. We can probably buy equipment, support operating costs, and even do minor building modifications. Whether we can do more before getting another supplemental budget approved by Congress (next Spring) is doubtful. Thus we may not be able to build buildings to house things such as hot laboratories, foundries, etc., should your definitive program indicate a requirement for these.

What this adds up to is that your immediate steps and programs should be pretty well tailored to the diagnostic program insofar

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as facilities and equipment go and to getting things going on this at once. Then as the budget situation is clarified and as you get into this program, we will be able to examine with you what it makes sense to do additionally.

I would appreciate your reaction to the above, and will attempt to come out to see you before long, I hope.

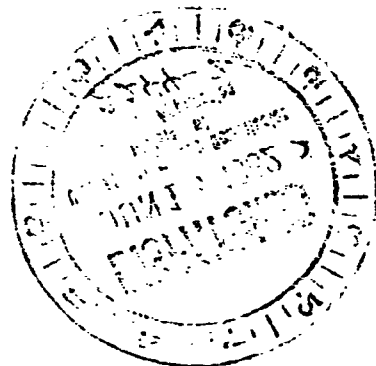
Sincerely,

K. F. Fields
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cc: H. A. Fidler
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