INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Purchase of Mass Spectrometer

DATE: November 16, 1987

TO: Mr. Dave Idol

FROM: Don deBethizy

An AR is in progress to receive approval for the purchase of an Hewlett Packard Model 5988 mass spectrometer. This instrument will be used in product development for NPT and for a basic research project to be initiated in 1988 that will evaluate and identify nicotine metabolites in blood, tissue, and urine. We expect that it will take approximately 6 months to 1 year to set up and validate this instrument. In order for us to begin our studies on schedule, it is important that we place the order for this piece of equipment immediately. Capital funds are available for this purchase in 1987.

This memorandum authorizes the purchase of the mass spectrometer for approximately \$250,000. Attached you will find a quotation describing the equipment. As soon as the AR draft is complete, we will provide you with a copy to attach to this document.

Please call if you have any questions.

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