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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Thomas H. Essig, Chief
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Washington, DC 20555

40-8907

Re: **Site Reclamation Expenditures**
Quarterly Analysis – First Quarter, 2000

Dear Mr. Essig:

With this letter United Nuclear Corporation submits its quarterly analysis of reclamation costs as required in license condition No. 25 of our License SUA-1475 for the Church Rock site. This analysis is for the first quarter of 2000.

FIRST QUARTER 2000 COSTS

The costs incurred for tailings reclamation in the first quarter of 2000 totaled \$48,881.00. Consistent with the Annual Surety Estimate all costs incurred in the first quarter 2000 were in the area of seepage cleanup actions. These costs reflect the continued operation of the seepage cleanup program.

The costs incurred in the first quarter of 2000 for seepage cleanup activities were as follows:

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|---------------------------|--------------------|
| <u>Seepage Collection</u> | |
| Electrical Power | \$ 8,073.00 |
| Equipment & Supplies | 82.00 |
| Personnel | 16,190.00 |
| <u>Monitoring</u> | |
| Sample Analysis | \$10,591.00 |
| New Sampling System | 5,452.00 |
| Personnel * | 1,430.00 |
| Supplies | 404.00 |
| <u>Performance Review</u> | <u>\$ 6,659.00</u> |
| TOTAL | \$48,881.00 |

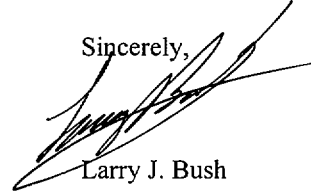
*Personnel under Monitoring reflects additional costs for testing and preparatory labor for new Monitoring System.

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The costs incurred to-date are consistent with the anticipated costs projected for continued operation of the seepage collection program as contained in our annual surety estimate assessment submitted to NRC on March 31, 1997.

If you have any questions or require additional information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Larry J. Bush', is written over the word 'Sincerely,'.

Larry J. Bush

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