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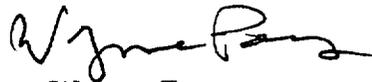
Re: The matter of Private Fuel Storage, LLC.

Dear Paul:

Please find enclosed the Skull Valley Band of Goshutes' Response to State of Utah's Motion regarding the matter mentioned above.

If you have any questions or need more information please feel free to contact this office. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Wynne Parry
Secretary

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

BEFORE THE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

In the Matter of)
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PRIVATE FUEL STORAGE, LLC) Docket No. 72-22ISFSI
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(Independent Spend)
Fuel Storage Installation)

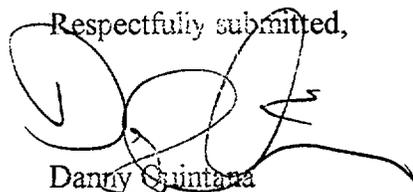
SKULL VALLEY BAND OF GOSHUTES' RESPONSE TO STATE OF UTAH'S
MOTION TO SUSPEND LICENSING PROCEEDINGS
AND TO REQUIRE RENOTICE OF THE APPLICATION

The Band objects to the State of Utah's motion seeking suspension of the license proceeding and renote of the proceeding in the Federal Register. The suspension is sought for purely political purposes. The Governor has a personal dislike for this project. He has publicly stated that this project would go forward, "over his dead body". The Band has not insisted this be part of the license application and NRC proceedings.

The State of Utah does not have jurisdiction over the Skull Valley Goshute Reservation. They are completely separate sovereigns. The proceedings need to move forward in the interest of time and judicial economy. The State of Utah has appealed the refusal of the Bureau of Indian Affairs to disclose the confidential portions of the lease with Private Fuel Storage, LLC. When this frivolous appeal fails they will next bore the Federal Court with litigation. All of these proceedings need to be consolidated and heard before this judicial body. A protective order is necessary to stop this proposed disclosure as this information is confidential. The pretext of an incomplete Private Fuel Storage, LLC application is not grounds for suspending the entire licensing proceeding.

For the reasons set forth and based upon the law cited in Private Fuel Storage's brief, the Band respectfully requests that this Motion to suspend the proceedings and other relief prayed for by the State of Utah be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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Dated at Salt Lake City, Utah
this 14th day of October, 1997

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing Skull Valley Band of Goshute's Response to the State of Utah's Motion to Suspend the licensing Proceedings was served on the following through via the United States Mail, postage prepaid and by fax and e-mail this 14th day of October, 1997 to the following:

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