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Dear Mr. Donnell:

This letter is a follow-up to the meeting we had with Pat Winmill, Mike Malmquist, and yourself on January 21, 1999 at our office. At the meeting we discussed with you the requirements for a plan of development and corporate information that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) requires from applicants as stated in our letter of January 20, 1999 and which was also mentioned in a letter from Gregory Thayne to Ed Shum of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) on October 15, 1998. BLM requires this information before BLM can proceed with processing your right-of-way applications for a railroad line and intermodal transfer site, U-76985, and U-76986.

In the meeting, you indicated that centerline surveys for the railroad line are scheduled to be completed by May 1999 and that most of the technical construction details and drawings would be completed by September 1999. In addition, many of the environmental studies and inventory information are available now in other documents of Private Fuel Storage (PFS). *1/3*

It was therefore agreed that whatever available information that is required as part of the Plan of Development should now be compiled and forwarded to BLM and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. As other information becomes available or is refined, it would then be forwarded to BLM and NRC for analysis in the environmental process. This may allow BLM and NRC to begin working on some aspects of the environmental documentation now rather than waiting for the completed package to be forwarded in September. The corporate information requested would be compiled and sent to BLM by PFS as soon as possible. *NF 06*

BLM will attempt to do whatever is necessary to meet with NRC personnel in an attempt to clarify the process and working relationship between BLM and NRC. This will be done in an effort to ensure that BLM's concerns and requirements are thoroughly considered in the environmental document being prepared by NRC, including those required steps to amend the Pony Express Resource Management Plan to allow for the possibility of a railroad line.

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If you have any questions, please contact myself or Mike Nelson of my staff at (801) 977-4355.

Sincerely yours,

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