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Edele Hovnanian  
Vice President  
Heritage Minerals, Inc.  
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**SUBJECT: MARCH 20, 2001 MEETING SUMMARY**

Dear Ms. Hovnanian:

This letter summarizes discussions from the meeting held between the NRC staff and you and Heritage Minerals, Inc. (HMI) staff on March 20, 2001, at our King of Prussia, Pennsylvania office. The meeting was held to discuss your current plans to select a decommissioning contractor and complete site remediation by October 2001.

During the meeting you indicated that delays were encountered in selecting the contractor due to limitations on hauling options and related cost estimates associated with removal of the material from the site. Presently, however, your staff stated that a review of contract submittals was completed and that strong consideration was being given to a particular proposal. The contracts will cover all remediation activities described in the Final Status Survey Plan including material excavation, packaging, transportation, and transfer to an authorized recipient.

You estimated the contract schedule from initial decommissioning to final surveys at 4-5 months, with contract approval within several weeks. As we explained, it will necessary for HMI to adhere to this schedule in order meet the October 2001 deadline and maintain compliance with NRC regulations, particularly the Decommissioning Timeliness Rule in 10 CFR 40.42.

A concern was raised by Mayor Fressola, Manchester Township, regarding potential radiological hazards associated with movement of material as it is transported offsite. You

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agreed to keep Manchester Township officials informed of decommissioning activities which could potentially impact the local community.

We believe the meeting was beneficial in providing the current status of your plans to complete decommissioning of the HMI facility. Please notify me when a contract decision is reached or if there are any changes which could affect the proposed plans. I can be contacted at (610) 337-5200. For your information a list of meeting attendees is attached. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

***Original signed by Ronald R. Bellamy***

Ronald R. Bellamy, Chief  
Decommissioning and Laboratory Branch  
Division of Nuclear Materials Safety

cc:

John F. Lord, Site Manager  
Hon. Michael Fressola, Mayor, Manchester Twp.  
Nancy Stanley, NJDEP

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Attachment 1

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Edele Hovnanian, Vice President  
Anthony Thompson, Esquire  
John Lord, Site Manager

USNRC

George Pangburn, Director, DNMS  
Ronald Bellamy, Chief, Decommissioning and Laboratory Branch  
Craig Gordon, Sr. Health Physicist, DLB  
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New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection

Nancy Stanley, Bureau of Environmental Radiation

Manchester Township, New Jersey

Michael Fressola, Mayor  
Constance Lauffer, Business Administrator