December 4, 2002

Ms. Donna Bergman-Tabbert U.S. Department of Energy Grand Junction Office 2597 B3/4 Road Grand Junction, CO 81503

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION APPROVAL TO AUTHORIZE DELETION OF INSTITUTIONAL CONTROLS (TAC NO. L51096)

Dear Ms. Bergman-Tabbert:

In a letter dated June 5, 2002, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) requested that the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) consider approving deletion of institutional controls at the Uranium Mill Tailings Remediation Control Act (UMTRCA) Title I, Canonsburg, Pennsylvania site. We performed an initial review of your request and determined that additional information is required before we are able to consider the deletion of institutional controls. We discussed the need for additional modeling with Don Metzler of your staff in a regularly scheduled conference call on July 2, 2002.

We will close the tracking number associated with this action (L51096) because we have not received additional information from you. If you should decide to pursue this issue and submit the requested information, we will be happy to reopen this issue and perform a formal review.

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If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact the NRC Project Manager for this site, Jill Caverly, at 301-415-6699 or by e-mail to <u>JSC1@nrc.gov.</u>

Sincerely,

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