June 24, 2003

Ms. Donna L. Wichers, General Manager COGEMA Mining, Incorporated P.O. Box 730 Mills, WY 82644

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If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (301) 415-6606 or by e-mail to <u>esb@nrc.gov.</u>

Sincerely,

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Enclosures:

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- 2. List of Attendees
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MEETING SUMMARY COGEMA MINING INC. IRIGARAY SITE IN WYOMING

On June 9, 2003, a meeting was conducted in Denver, CO, with the staff from the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and the Wyoming Division of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and representatives of COGEMA Mining Inc.(COGEMA), to discuss seven monitoring wells at COGEMA's Irigaray site. These wells have been on excursion status most or all of the time for over 13 years and the reasons for this were reviewed. The COGEMA letter of May 14, 2003, was discussed and staff from the DEQ Land Quality Division agreed with the COGEMA proposal to remove the seven wells from excursion status and will provide written approval. Future site activities were also discussed.

During the meeting, no NRC regulatory decisions were requested or made.

The meeting attendees are listed on Enclosure 2.



UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION HEADQUARTERS

MEETING ATTENDANCE FORM

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B. Management Meeting Number: <u>05</u>

Subject: Cogema Mining, Inc. & Wyoming DEQ Side-Bar

Date: <u>6/9/03</u> Location: <u>Johann Room, Executive Towers Hotel, Denver, CO</u>

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