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Dear Mr. Logsdon:

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It is requested under Subtask 3.3 of NRC Contract NRC-02-88-009, FIN D1021 that Dr. Dan Stephens and Mr. Jeff Minier of your staff, visit the Texas Bureau of Economic Geology (TBEG) on October 20, 21, and 22, 1987, to view sections of geologic core recovered as part of DOE's Palo Duro Basin studies. The purpose of this core review is to provide new NRC staff and contractors, who were not involved in the previous core review (August 1985), an opportunity to view sections of the drill core. This visit is not a technical meeting to resolve specific concerns; rather, it is to improve your Salt teams understanding of the geologic section associated with the Deaf Smith site. Any concerns or significant observations about the core are to be expressed in your trip report. Additional background information is attached.

In response to the Salt Technical Descriptive Summaries dated June 24, 1987, Communication Number 172, you are authorized to complete work on technical reports 7 and 13, and to commence work TDS 12 and 14. Work on TDS 15 was previously authorized by letter dated August 14, 1987. Technical reports 1-6 and 8-10 have been submitted and no further work on these reports is required at this time. No work on TDS 11 and 16-18 is to begin. These instructions are consistent with those provided Mr. Jeff Minier of your staff during a recent telephone conversation with Mr. Fred Ross, the NRC Salt Team Lead.

If you have any questions regarding either the core visit or the TDS authorizations, contact Fred Ross at (301)-427-4539.

The action taken by this letter is considered to be within the scope of the current contract NRC-02-85-009. No changes to cost or delivery of contracted services and products are authorized. Please notify me immediately if you believe that this letter would result in changes to cost or delivery of contracted products.

Sincerely,

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Attachments:

1. 9/4/85 Trip Report
2. 6/22/87 Letter to J. Neff
3. 9/16/87 Letter to J. Linehan

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