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Mr. Don Aragon
 Executive Director
 Wind River Environmental Quality Commission
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RE: Riverton UMTRA Site

Dear Don:

I would like to thank you for the opportunity to review the audit documents provided by your office regarding the groundwater cleanup program at the Riverton UMTRA site. The Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality concurs that there are valid concerns with the program that will need to be addressed by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the Department of Energy. These concerns include the lack of institutional controls and insufficient monitoring to insure that the public health is being protected during the cleanup phase.

It is my understanding that a meeting with the Joint Business Council and representatives of the NRC and DOE is being planned for early next year. If you think it is appropriate, representatives of the Department of Environmental Quality would be pleased to attend and participate in these discussions.

Sincerely,

John V. Corra
Director

- cc: John Masterson, Governor's Office
- Ivan Posey, Governor's Office
- ✓ Gary Janosko, U.S. NRC
- Tracy Plessinger, U.S. DOE
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