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John,

I've attached the memo I wrote allowing PRI to suspend sampling, due to the extreme weather conditions. The first time this happened was in February, 1989, when Well M-48 went on excursion, they couldn't get to the well to confirm that it was on excursion for a week after the initial sampling. Getting snowed out of sampling a couple of wells on a one time basis is not a crisis to my way of thinking. However, the sampling problem may just be the tip of the iceberg. Access to the header houses and wellfields is also limited, so maintaining the wellfield balance, etc. become additional potential problems. I suspect that if we have a more normal winter that there will be additional weather related occurrences.

Steve

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## MEMORANDUM

To File: Highland Uranium Mine, Permit #603  
Smith Ranch Uranium, Permit #633

From: Steve Ingle, District I

Date: November 30, 2004

Subject: Weather problems

On Tuesday morning November 30, 2004, I spoke with Mr. Bill Kearney from Power Resources, Inc. Mr. Kearney indicated that due to the severe weather it was not possible to perform the required monitor well sampling for this round. The permit area received an estimated 8-10 inches of snow through Sunday evening and wind and near zero temperatures have made it impractical to all of the required sampling. With Mr. Chancellor and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's concurrence it was decided that the sampling should be suspended until field conditions improve.