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SUBJECT: REVIEW OF APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY POWER RESOURCES, INC.,
FOR A CLASS I DISPOSAL WELL

Dear Mr. Passehl:

I am responding to your letter dated December 22, 2004, to Mr. John Lusher of my staff. Your letter provided information concerning the subject application submitted by Power Resources, Inc. (PRI), a licensee of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). According to the application, the deep injection well would be used by PRI to dispose of wellfield bleed and groundwater restoration fluids resulting from a planned *in situ* leach uranium extraction facility (referred to as the Reynolds Ranch Uranium Project). NRC has recently received a license application for this facility, but, because of resource limitations, we can not review this application, nor the application for the class I disposal well, at this time. Because your agency has regulatory jurisdiction for the class I disposal well, we will defer to your review. However, PRI will not be permitted to use this well for operations under NRC's jurisdiction until our review of PRI's recent license amendment application is successfully completed. We appreciate the opportunity to provide comments and we look forward to working with you as we proceed with our review of the license amendment application.

If you have any questions concerning this response, please call me at (301) 415-7244 or at gsj@nrc.gov.

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