

June 1, 2005

MEMORANDUM TO: Robert A. Nelson, Chief
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SUBJECT: REPORT OF MEETING WITH WESTERN NUCLEAR, INC., ON
MAY 23, 2005

Attached for your information is a report of the subject meeting.

Attachment: Meeting Report

cc: Meeting Attendees

MEETING REPORT

DATE: May 23, 2005

TIME: 2:00 - 3:00 pm

PLACE: Executive Tower Hotel
Beethoven Room
1405 Curtis Street
Denver, CO 80202

PURPOSE: To discuss the topics related to the remediation of the Western Nuclear, Inc., (WNI) Split Rock uranium recovery site near Jeffrey City, WY

ATTENDEES: Refer to Attachment A

BACKGROUND:

Background information is contained in a letter to the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) dated May 9, 2005 (ADAMS accession number ML051320090).

DISCUSSION:

1. WNI stated that it plans to submit a request for an exemption of the requirement to continue to implement its ground water corrective action program. When received by NRC, this action will be WNI's highest priority. [Post-meeting note: The exemption request was received on May 27, 2005.]
2. WNI stated that it had recently met with staff of DOE's Office of Legacy Management in Grand Junction, CO, to discuss institutional controls for its Split Rock site. DOE does not support the installation of an off site well to supply water to the remaining land owner because the well will not be needed for at least 500 years. DOE agrees with WNI's proposal to include funds, in the long-term care payment, to allow for condemnation of the remaining property, if/when the need arises.
3. DOE does not support the need for the four wells that are currently located outside the long-term care boundary. WNI stated that the monitoring wells turned over to DOE will likely be different from the current set.

ACTIONS:

None

Attachment A: Meeting Attendees

Attachment

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