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SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE REVIEW OF NORTH BUTTE SATELLITE ISL OPERATIONS
AND RECLAMATION PLAN - SOURCE MATERIALS LICENSE SUA-1548 (TAC
LU0133)

Dear Mr. McCarthy:

I am responding to your letter dated July 5, 2006, concerning your submittal of Power Resource Inc.'s North Butte *In Situ Leach* (ISL) Satellite Operations and Reclamation Plan (the Plan). The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has completed the initial processing of the Plan, which is an administrative (i.e., acceptance) review for completeness.

During the initial processing, some omissions/deficiencies were identified. These deficiencies are as noted:

1. A legend for Figure 6.2 (Volume II - Site Plan Layout) that indicates the relationship between symbols and colors and the physical features they represent were not included in the Plan.
2. A map of the exclusion area boundaries and fences were not included in the Plan (NUREG-1569, page 2-2, item 3).
3. Figure 2.4 (Volume II - Grazing and Surface Use Leaseholds) of the Plan is incorrectly labeled as Figure 2.2.
4. The quality of Figure 10.6 (Volume II - Surface Drainage Map) of the Plan is poor.
5. The location of any other Nuclear Fuel Cycle Facilities located or proposed within a 50-mile radius of the North Butte ISL Satellite was not included in the Plan (NUREG-1569, page 2-5, item 1g).
6. A figure of suitable scale with population centers within a 50-mile radius of the North Butte ISL Satellite was not provided in the Plan (NUREG-1569, page 2-8, item 2).
7. Figures 2-2 and 2-3 (Volume I-A) of the Plan do not indicate the source (e.g., agency, technical report, etc.) where the information was obtained.
8. Chapter 5 (Volume I-A, page 5-4) of the Plan refers to Tables 4-1 and 5-1; however, these tables do not appear to be included in the Plan.

9. The mechanism(s) for funding the financial surety (i.e., Letters of Credit, surety bond, etc.) is not identified in the Plan (NUREG-1569, page 6-25, item 6).

Please provide the identified information within 30 days of the date of this letter so that the more detailed technical review of the Plan can proceed in a timely manner. Additionally, the technical review may identify omissions in the submitted information or technical issues not identified during the administrative review that require additional information.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (301) 415-7612, or by e-mail to pxm2@nrc.gov.

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