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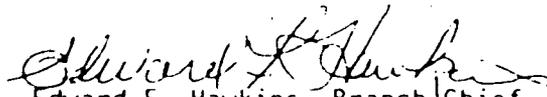
Gentlemen:

As you are aware, Mr. Konwinski of my staff attended the public hearing held at Fort Robinson by the State of Nebraska on May 11, 1989. In our subsequent discussions concerning the comments offered at the hearing, several outstanding issues were identified. This letter is to document those issues and to request that Ferret respond to the following issues at your earliest possible convenience.

- o Please define the corporate ownership of Ferret of Nebraska, Inc., and all participants who have a financial interest in the Crow Butte project.
- o Please discuss how these participants will be involved in decision making concerning the operation of the project, and identify the individuals who will represent the participants.
- o Please respond to our April 17, 1989 letter concerning the waste disposal issue.

Upon resolution of these issues, our office will be in a position to move forward with the issuance of the Environmental Assessment and Safety Evaluation Report prepared for the proposed project.

Sincerely,


Edward F. Hawkins, Branch Chief
Uranium Recovery Field Office
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