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Subject: Uranium Recovery GEIS

Dear Sir:

The Board of Crook County Commissioners adopted the enclosed resolution at its regularly scheduled Board of County Commissioners meeting held November 5, 2008.

The safeguard health and welfare of the citizens in Crook County is our first and foremost concern.

Respectfully submitted,

Harold J. Burch, Jr.

Harold J. Burch, Jr., Chairman

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RESOLUTION NO. 13-2008
U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

WHEREAS Crook County, Wyoming is currently the site of intensive preparatory uranium exploration, drilling and testing of selected sites; and

WHEREAS the in-situ extraction process is an intensive water consumption process which will be extracting uranium from the already limited, precious water quantity and water quality within the boundaries of Crook County, Wyoming;

WHEREAS the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission acknowledges the in-situ extraction does generate radioactive sludge, does pose minimal health hazards to employees and poses a contamination hazard for the aquifer from which extraction is taking place as well as 'other' aquifers;

WHEREAS we pass this resolution to safeguard the health and welfare of the citizens of Crook County, WY.

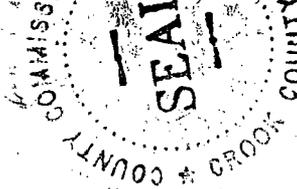
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners in and for Crook County, Wyoming requests that the generic environmental impact statement the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission has under consideration be modified to safe guard the general public by requiring that:

1. All water wells that are used for human and animal consumption within 1 mile of any exploration well shall be tested for baseline data before exploration begins.
2. All aquifers that are explored, mined or have a potential to be contaminated, shall be actively sampled throughout the in-situ mining process;
3. No bleed waters shall be disposed in any streambed (active or in-active), irrigation canal or lake;
4. No upland disposal of discharge water shall reduce the quality of the environment into which bleed waters are released;
5. All water sampling and testing shall be conducted by licensed, independent laboratories at the mining companies expense;
6. All volunteer first responders shall be trained to execute their job responsibilities in a hazardous, radioactive environment at mining company expense;
7. All sampling locations shall be sampled no less than every 15 operational days of an operating in-situ mining.
8. Landowners, mining companies and governmental agencies shall have access to the water sampling information upon written request to the testing company. ;

Dated this 5th day of November, 2008.

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ATTESTED BY: Connie D. Schetter
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