



Department of Environmental Quality

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Dave Freudenthal, Governor

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March 25, 2009

Mr. Lawrence J. Corte
President,
Western Nuclear Inc.,
2801 Youngfield, Suite 340,
Golden, CO 80401

RE: 2008 Second Half, Surface Water and Groundwater Monitoring Reports,
Split Rock Uranium Mill Tailings Facility,
Source Material License SUA-56

Dear Mr. Corte:

The Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality (WDEQ), Water Quality Division (WQD) has reviewed the above referenced report dated February 26, 2009, that provides the surface and groundwater sampling and analytical results for the second half of 2008 at the Split Rock Mill Site. We appreciate being included on the mailing list and the opportunity to review this data. Based on the data provided, it appears the contaminated groundwater plumes are acting as modeled and anticipated.

We have no further comments or concerns about this report at this time. Please contact me at 307/335-6959 or at the address provided if you have any questions or comments on this letter, or if I can be of any assistance. We look forward to reviewing future reports.

Sincerely,

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