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Mr. John Abbiss
Vice President of Environmental
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United Nuclear Corporation
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Dear Mr. Abbiss:

Section 3-340.B of the Radiation Protection Regulations states, "In any case in which a licensee, not less than 30 days prior to expiration of his existing license, has filed an application in proper form for renewal or for a new license authorizing the same activities, such existing license shall not expire until the application has been finally determined by the Division." The expiration date of UNC's mill license, NM-UNC-ML-18, was January 31, 1982. The application for renewal of this license and accompanying environmental report were submitted in proper form by UNC on December 31, 1981. The license will not expire, therefore, until a final determination has been made by the Division.

Section 3-312.A of the Regulations states, "Within 60 days following initial receipt of a license application, or each additional submission of information by the applicant, the Director will either accept the application for review or notify the applicant in writing of any deficiencies in the application which must be corrected in order for the application to be accepted for review." Any such deficiencies found in your December 31, 1981 submittal will therefore be provided to you in writing not later than March 1, 1982. Any deficiencies found in subsequent submittals will also be brought to your attention within 60 days of submittal. At such time as the application is accepted for review, the remaining provisions of Section 3-312 (e.g. Public Notice) will be carried out.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding the above sequence of events.

Sincerely,

Kent Braese
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