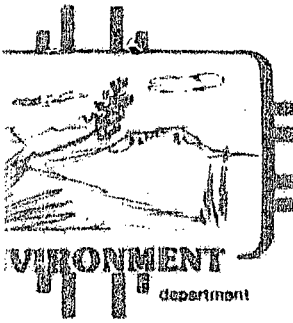


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Dear Mr. Miller:

In response to your telephone call of May 12, 1982 I have attached an outline of general topics and issues that need to be considered for suspension of uranium mill operation. This list is not considered all inclusive and each item must be related to the site specific characteristics of your operations. I will expect a document covering your proposed plans along with a request for license amendment for suspension of milling operations. While in an inactive status we would make a formal annual inspection. Since interim suspension of operations is new I expect that our informal site visits will increase to observe site conditions. I hope this general guidance will be of assistance to you.

Sincerely,

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ITEMS FOR URANIUM MILL INACTIVE STATUS

1. Designation of RSO
 2. Responsible Executive On Site/off Site
 3. Facility Security
 4. Radiation Monitoring (Facilities & Personnel)
 5. Interim Stabilization, Tailings, Ore Pads
 6. Tailings Impoundment Monitoring, Maintenance (Diversion Channels)
 7. Radioactive Source Security (Gages, etc.)
 8. Product Storage & Security
 9. Seepage Monitoring
 10. State Engineer Requirements
 11. Inspections of Facility, Compliance Monitoring
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LICENSE AMENDMENT REQUIRED

1. Authorizing Suspension of Operations
2. Security - Site Control
3. Interim Stabilization
4. Surveillance - Site & Tailings Impoundment
5. Monitoring Program
6. Trained Personnel - Identified RSO & Corporate Official
7. No Start - Up Without Authorizing Amendment
And Pre-Op Inspection
8. Sources - Control and Security