

## 21 Workers Lose Church Rock Jobs

GRANTS (AP) — United Nuclear Corp. has laid off 21 more workers at its Church Rock uranium operation, bringing the total number of layoffs since the first of the month to about 275.

The company said April 30 that the operation would be placed on standby status because of the declining market for uranium ore.

Bob Mandrell, director of human relations at the Church Rock property, said the latest layoff on Friday affected 11 salaried employees and 10 hourly workers.

About 500 workers were employed at the company's two uranium mines and mill at the time the announcement was made.

UNC officials have said they hope to be able to reopen the operation when the uranium market improves.