

July 28, 1978

Mr. P. A. Matthews Vice President, Operations Ranchers Exploration and Development Corp. 1776 Montano Rd., NW Albuquerque, NM 87107

## REFERENCE: MAY 23, 1978 INSPECTION OF JOHNNY M. MINE BACKFILL OPERATIONS WITH URANIUM MILL TAILINGS

Dear Mr. Matthews:

This letter reports on a routine inspection conducted on May 23, 1978 at your Johnny M. Mine backfill operations of activities authorized by Radioactive Materials License NM-RED-MB-00, issued by this agency on February 28, 1978.

The inspection was an examination of the activities authorized under the license as it relates to radiation safety; and to compliance with the Health and Environmental Department's rules and regulations and adherence to activities detailed in the license application.

During the inspection no deficiencies were found.

Thank you for the courtesy and cooperation extended to me during the inspection.

Sincerely,

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cc: Radiation Protection Section, Santa Fe File

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