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Steve,

Per our discussion earlier this date, I have attached a letter addressed to Keith McConnell that requests a meeting with NRC Staff to review the five items identified as deficiencies in Powertech's license application for its proposed Dewey-Burdock in situ leach project. I will follow up this letter with a proposed agenda and participant list. If you have the opportunity to set the meeting for June 11th, that would be our preference as Wallace Mays, Powertech's COO, will be in Washington, D.C. and available to meet on that date. The proposed meeting agenda will focus on the five items discussed by Staff during our May 26th telephonic conference, and the participants will be Wallace Mays, Anthony Thompson and Chris Pugsley.

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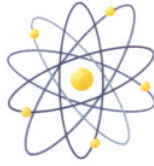
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Re: Powertech Uranium Company's License Application to Conduct Proposed In Situ Leach Uranium Recovery Operations at the Dewey-Burdock, South Dakota Site
Docket No. 40-9075, TAC No. J00582

Dear Mr. McConnell:

By this letter, Powertech Uranium Company (Powertech) hereby requests a meeting with the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Staff regarding NRC review of its license application to conduct in situ leach uranium recovery (ISL) operations at a proposed site at Dewey-Burdock, South Dakota.

On February 25, 2009, Powertech submitted a comprehensive license application for the proposed Dewey-Burdock ISL project to NRC. On May 26, 2009, Powertech participated in a telephone conference with NRC Staff regarding the Dewey-Burdock application during which NRC Staff stated that it had identified five (5) material deficiencies in the license application that require submission of additional information and/or analyses and that it would not proceed to conduct a detailed technical review of the application until such additional information and/or analyses is submitted. In addition, it was suggested that Powertech meet with NRC Staff to discuss the details of the identified deficiencies and the manner in which the identified deficiencies can be remedied.

While Powertech may not fully agree with NRC Staff's conclusions regarding the nature of the identified issues, we would like to schedule a meeting with NRC Staff as soon as possible after June 9, 2009. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this letter, and Powertech looks forward to meeting with NRC Staff to resolve these issues. Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

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