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In the Matter of
POWERTECH (USA) INC.,
Docket No. 40-9075-MLA; ASLBP No. 10-898-02-MLA-BD01

Dear Administrative Judges:

On October 4, 2010, the Board issued an order directing the Staff to submit monthly status reports specifying its best estimates of the issuance dates for draft and final documents associated with its review of Powertech's application. The Staff filed its last status report on May 1, 2012.

The Staff's current best estimates are:

Safety Evaluation Report (SER)
August 2012

Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS)
August 2012

Final SEIS
January 2013–May 2013

These are the same estimates provided in the Staff's last status report.

As stated in prior status reports, the Staff plans to issue Powertech a draft license later this month. The Staff issues a draft license in order to highlight certain issues that an applicant must address prior to and during operations.

The Staff's next status report is due July 2, 2012. At that time the Staff will provide updated estimates of the release dates for documents associated with its safety and environmental reviews.

Sincerely,

***/Signed (electronically) by/
Patricia Jehle***

Patricia Jehle
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***/Signed (electronically) by/
Patricia Jehle***

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