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From: McIntyre, David
Sent: Tuesday, March 20, 2012 4:17 PM
To: 'Elizabeth Miller'; Burnell, Scott
Subject: RE: Boulder Weekly request for information

Elizabeth – I apologize for the delay in responding. Your question crosses divisional lines on a matter that for us is quite old, so we're having trouble determining a precise response. But since this was a fluorspar mill rather than a uranium mill, it looks like it would not fall under the jurisdiction of NRC, and therefore there would not be a hearing requirement and there would be no provision for the federal government (DOE) to take the site over.

Colorado became an NRC Agreement State in 1968.

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From: Elizabeth Miller [mailto:emiller@boulderweekly.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 20, 2012 2:14 PM
To: Burnell, Scott; McIntyre, David
Subject: Re: Boulder Weekly request for information

Hi Scott,

Can you get me an update on this?

Thanks,
Elizabeth

On 3/16/12 2:51 PM, "Burnell, Scott" <Scott.Burnell@nrc.gov> wrote:

Elizabeth;

Can't promise anything right now, we'll see what happens. Thanks.

Scott

Sent from an NRC Blackberry
Scott Burnell

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From: Elizabeth Miller <emiller@boulderweekly.com>
To: Burnell, Scott
Sent: Fri Mar 16 16:51:29 2012

Subject: Re: Boulder Weekly request for information

Hi Scott,

Great, thank you. Could I speak with someone on Monday to get a comment?

Thanks,
Elizabeth

On 3/16/12 2:34 PM, "Burnell, Scott" <Scott.Burnell@nrc.gov> wrote:

Hi Elizabeth;

That helps, we'll see what the staff can provide on Monday. Thanks.

Scott

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From: Elizabeth Miller <emiller@boulderweekly.com>
To: Burnell, Scott
Cc: McIntyre, David
Sent: Fri Mar 16 16:30:42 2012
Subject: Re: Boulder Weekly request for information

Hi Scott,

We actually have three reporters working on this story, so I just checked in for more details and an update on some information he just uncovered —

It was a flotation mill processing fluorspar which created NORMs containing uranium, radium-226 and other heavy metals.

The Colorado revised statutes that the Colorado Department of Public Health references as their authority for terminating the license references the nuclear regulatory commission (lower cased in the statutes).

Does that help?

And yes, we can hang on until Monday.

Thanks,
Elizabeth

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