

Department of Environmental Quality

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John Corra, Director

October 22, 2012

Mr. Glenn Catchpole Uranerz Energy Corporation 1701 East "E" Street P.O. Box 50850 Casper, WY 82605-0850

RE: Uranerz Energy Corporation Final Permit 10-392, Hank-Nichols Class I Permit Johnson and Campbell Counties, Wyoming

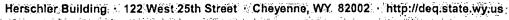
Dear Mr. Catchpole:

Attached please find one copy of the Class I UIC permit. This permit requires testing, reporting, and data submittal identified within the permit. The corresponding report forms can be filled out using our on-line webform (Monitor Reports Link), or one may have the lab submit them using Electronic Data Deliverable (EDD) at the following site: https://gem.wqd.apps.deq.wyoming.gov/Default.aspx

Some significant changes have been made to the original draft permit and are broadly identified as follows:

- Section A. Discharge zone, Table 5. The radius of the cone of influence was corrected to reflect the 20-year life of the well:
- Section I. Monitoring Requirements, Condition #4. You are reminded that a sampling and analysis plan must be submitted and approved by the Department prior to conducting any sampling;
- Section I. Monitoring Requirements, Conditions # 6, #7. For the first new well constructed, water quality and hydraulic head data is required from the Lance and Fox Hills Formations:
- ✓ Section M. Mechanical Integrity. A more appropriate Part I mechanical integrity test is required;

The underground injection control program was promulgated to prevent serious problems caused by direct discharges to the groundwater. Those problems included groundwater pollution leading to contamination in domestic water wells and serious health effects caused by exposures to toxic substances and water borne pathogens. Your cooperation with our program is sincerely appreciated.





If you have any questions please do not he sitate to contact Don Fischer at (307) 675-5640 or by email at don fischer@wyo.gov

Sincerely,

Kevin Frederick, P.G.

Manager, Groundwater Section

Water Quality Division

KDF/WDF/rm/12-0990

Enclosure:

Permit 10-392

cc:

Tom Michel, HydroEngineering, LLC., 777 Overland Trail, Suite 107, Casper, WY 82601-1319 Mike Thomas, Uranerz Corporation, 1701 East "E", P.O. Box 50850, Casper, WY 82605-0850 w/o enclosure

Nancy Nuttbrock, Administrator, Land Quality Division w/o enclosure Don Fischer, Geological Supervisor, WQD, Sheridan w/o enclosure John Passehl, Geological Supervisor, WQD, Cheyenne w/o enclosure



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Dave Freudenthal, Governor

Mr. Michael Thomas Uranerz Energy Corporation P.O. Box 50850 Casper, WY 82605-0850 December 29, 2010

Re: Hank Nichols Ranch Uranium In Situ Recovery Project, TFN 4 2/284, Permit No. 778

Dear Mr. Thomas:

Enclosed are copies of your approved commercial in situ recovery mining permit, license to mine and the approved bond. Permit No. 778 has been assigned to this project. Please refer to this permit number when discussing this project in future correspondence. Lexon Insurance Company bond no. The amount of Six Million, Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$6,800,000) has been accepted by the division to ensure that your operation will comply with all requirements of the Environmental Quality Act and Land Quality Division Rules and Regulations.

A complete and updated copy of the permit must be maintained at the mine office and at the offices of the Land Quality Division in Cheyenne and Sheridan. Please make arrangements with Ramona Christensen of the Cheyenne LQD (777-7053) and Pat Seurer of the Sheridan LQD (675-5604), to make sure all permit application materials have been properly incorporated into the approved permit document. The incorporation of all new material should occur within four weeks of the date of this letter.

As the Land Quality Division staff has discussed with you, the following permit condition will be attached to the Form 1:

Uranerz Energy Corporation shall submit to the Land Quality Division a science based model supporting a groundwater reclassification boundary that is within the current LQD Chapter 11 rule requirement. Until this model is reviewed and approved by the LQD, the perimeter monitor well ring shall serve as the boundary.

A second permit condition to satisfy the WY Game and Fish Department regarding sage grouse is also included on the Form 1:

Uranerz Energy Corporation will consult with the Wyoming Game and Fish Department to revise MP 3.15.2.2 to include an annual sage grouse survey within two miles of the Nichols and Hank permit boundaries and shall then submit a permit revision to the Land Quality Division no later than six months after the permit approval date.

On or within thirty (30) days prior to the anniversary date of the permit, you will be required to submit an Annual Report to the District office. The appropriate forms will be sent to you at that time. Following your submittal of the report, the Sheridan District III staff will conduct an inspection of the operation.

Please contact the Department of Revenue, Herschler Building, Second Floor West, Cheyenne, WY 82002 (307-777-7961), for tax information.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (307-777-7046) or Glenn Mooney in the District III Office at 307-675-5615.

Sincerely,

Son Sto Roth King in Donald R. McKenzie Administrator

Land Quality Division

DRM/gm Enclosures:

cc: District III, NRC-MD, Lexon Insurance Co.

Herschler Building · 122 West 25th Street · Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002 · http://deq.state.wy.us



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STATE OF WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY LAND QUALITY DIVISIONS APPLICATION FOR IN SITU PERMIT TO MINE OR

AMENDMENT TO AN IN SITU PERMIT TO MINE

	ociation or corporation) (circle one) the ners and executives directly responsible
Name: Glenn J. Catchpole	Address: 1701 East E Street Casper, WY 8260
Title: President and CEO	Phone No. 307-265-8900
Name: George Hartman	Address: 1701 East E Street Casper, WY 826
Title: Executive Vice President and COO	Phone No. 307-265-8900
Name: Michael P. Thomas	Address: 1701 East E Street Casper, WY 826
Title: Environmental, Safety, and Health Manager	Phone No. 307-265-8900
Name:	Address:
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Name, address, and telephone number of the a provisions of Wyoming Environmental Quality A may be sent: Michael P. Thomas 1701 East E Stre	ct or Rules and Regulations adopted thereun
	he specific appendices:

APPENDIX "B" (b)

(amendment) area.

- Names and last known addresses of the owners of record of the surface rights of the lands immediately adjacent to the proposed permit (amendment) area.
- (ii) Names and last known addresses of any other persons within one-half (1/2) mile having a valid legal estate of record.
- (iii) For surface coal mining operations, the names and last known addresses of coal ownership immediately adjacent to the proposed permit (amendment) area.

NOTE: Appendices "A" and "B" shall each be accompanied by maps showing the ownership locations required by the respective appendices. Mapping of (b) (ii) is not required.

- APPENDIX "C"
 - All lands to be included in the proposed permit (amendment) area shall be tabulated by legal subdivision, section, township, range, county, and municipal corporation, if any, and the number of acres for each subdivision listed.

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- (ii) Lands which are to be part of the proposed permit (amendment) area, for which no right to mine is claimed shall be identified in item (c) (i) above as such and tabulated separately listing the number of acres for each legal subdivision.
- (iii) Lands which are located within other permit or license areas shall be identified and a copy of the agreement with the other permittee(s) shall be attached as part of this application.

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An original USGS topographic map, clearly outlief g and identifying the lands to t thin the proposed permit areas, shall provided. Photo copies or other milar copies are not acceptable unless p r approval is obtained from (iv) the Land Quality Division.

APPENDIX "D" (d)

This appendix shall include a description of the land which shall include: Soils, vegetation, wildlife, and surface hydrologic information consistent with the extent and nature of the proposed surface disturbance including descriptions of the soil, indigenous wildlife, natural gamma radiation background for lands to be impacted by radioactive materials, the vegetative cover, meteorological information and a description of any surface water and adjudicated water rights within the proposed permit area or on adjacent lands; a description of the general geology including geochemistry and lithology of the permit area; a characterization of the production zone and aquifers that may be affected including applicable hydrologic and water chemistry data to describe the projected effects of the mining activities.

APPENDIX "E" (e)

A map or maps with the boundary of the proposed permit (amendment) area clearly outlined and identified showing:

- (i) The lands to be affected by the mining;
- (ii) The drainage area within and surrounding the proposed permit (amendment) area;
- (iii) The location and names, where known, of all roads, railroads, public or private rights-of-way and easements, utility lines, lakes, streams, creeks, springs, and other surface water courses, oil wells, gas wells, and water wells;
- (iv) An outline of the probable limits of all areas previously disturbed or to be disturbed by underground or subsurface mining, whether active or inactive, on or immediately adjacent to the proposed permit (amendment) (area;
- (v) The names, last known addresses and boundary lines of the present surface landowners and occupants on the adjacent land to be affected;
- (vi) The location, ownership, and uses of all buildings on, or on lands adjacent to, the land to be affected;
- (vii) Information presented as part of APPENDIX "D" when necessary for clarification.

St	tart of Operation: June 2010	Termination of Operation: December 2020	
	The total number of acres in the proposed permit (amendment) area and an estimate of the total number of acres to be affected by the operation.		
	Permit Acres	Approved Acreage to Affect	
	Original Permit	Original Permit	
	Approved Amendments	Approved Amendments	
	This Application 3,370.53	This Application 300	
	Total Acres 3,370.53	Total Acres 300	
Ti N	he name, if any, by which the permit (am lichols Ranch ISR Project	e, if any, by which the permit (amendment) lands or any part thereof are known:	

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9. A filing fee of \$100.00 (\$200.00 for amendments) plus \$10.00 for each acre in the request permit (amendment) area. For any single permit (amendment) the maximum fee shall not exceed \$2,000.00.

10. For coal mining operations:

- Each application shall contain the additional information as required in Chapter 3, Section 3 of the Land Quality Division Coal Rules and Regulations;
- (b) A certification that the applicant has a public liability insurance policy in force for the proposed mining and reclamation, as required by W.S. \$35-11-406 (a) (xiii) and Land Quality Division Coal Rules and Regulations Chapter 12, Section 2.(i) and (j);
- (c) Right of entry to or inspection of any operation, premises, records or equipment shall not require advance notice;

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- A sworn state ent that the applicant has paid the recognition fee for this and all coal mining actions under the jurisdiction of P.L. 77 as required by Title IV of that law: (d) of that law;
- (e) A listing of all notices of violations required by W.S. \$35-11-406(a) (xiv)
- 11. Plan or plans of the applicant, including maps, for the proposed mining operation and the reclamation of all affected lands as required by W.S. \$35-11-428 and Chapter XI of the Land Quality Division Noncoal Rules and Regulations and Chapter 18 of the Land Quality Division Coal Rules and Regulations.
- 12. The provisions of the permit are severable, and if any provision of the permit, or the application of any provision of the permit, to any circumstance, is held invalid, the application of such provision to other circumstances, and the remainder of the permit, shall not be affected thereby.

FINAL SWORN STATEMENT OF APPLICANT

County of

I Glenn J. Catchpole being duly sworn on my oath that I am the applicant (or President or Vice President if the applicant is a corporation) for the foregoing mining permit update; that I have read the said application and fully know the contents thereof; that I further agree to be bound by all of the terms and conditions of the original permit and any amendments, revisions, or renewals thereof and accept all unfulfilled reclamation liabilities of the permit; that all statements contained in the permit update application are true and correct to my best knowledge and belief; by execution of this statement I certify that Uranerz Energy Corporation applicant, or entities controlled by or under common control with the applicant has the right and power by legal estate owned to mine from the land for which this permit update is desired; that applicant or entities controlled by or under common control with the applicant has not forfeited, or is not involved in forfeiture proceedings for, a bond posted for reclamation purposes; and if a surface coal mining application, that applicant or entities controlled by or under common control with the applicant has paid the reclamation fees for this and all coal mining operations under the jurisdiction of P.L. 95-87 as required by Title IV of that law; and that applicant or entities controlled by or under common control with the applicant has not had any Federal or State coal mining permits suspended or revoked in the five years preceding the date of this application; and by completion and submission of this application, hereby give consent to allow the Director, the Administrator and/or his authorized representatives, at reasonable times and upon presentation of appropriate credentials, to enter upon and have access to any and all lands covered by this permit and amendments thereto and to inspect and copy any records or documents, obtain or monitor any samples or sampling, for any activities associated with the operation and permit.

Dated this 30 day of NOVEMBER , 20 07 (Corporate Seal) Glenn J. Catchpole (Printed or typed)

Title President and CEO

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by this 30 day of November 2007 day of November , 20 <u>01</u>

Witness my hand and official seal.

(Notary Seal)

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My Commission Expires: (Lot: 26, 2010

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The State of Wyoming)
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Department of Environmental Quality)

This is to certify that I have examined this foregoing application and do hereby grant the same subject to the following limitations and conditions:

- 1. Uranerz Energy Corporation shall submit to the Land Quality Division a science based model supporting a groundwater reclassification boundary that is within the current LQD Chapter 11 rule requirement. Until this model is reviewed and approved by the LQD, the perimeter monitor well ring shall serve as the boundary.
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Approved:

Administrator

Land Quality Division

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Effective Date: <u>Vecember</u> 29, 2010

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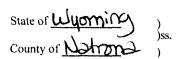
STATE OF WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY LAND QUALITY DIVISION APPLICATION FOR LICENSE TO MINE

This application in duplicate for a license to mine is submitted in accordance with the provisions of the Wyoming Statute §35-11-410.

	tion of mining operation (County): Johnson and Campbell Counties		
(a)	A copy of the mining permit, submitted herewith, for the lands which are to be affected by the proposed mining operation:		
	Permit No. 778 Issued 49th day of Vecember 2010		
(b)	If the applicant is other than the permit holder, a copy of the instrument of permission submitted herewith, from the permit holder granting to the applicant the right thereto;		
Maps showing the location and the numbers of acres to be affected by the proposed mining of first year of operation if less than the full extent of the permit area.			
	(Map of affected area may be submitted with legal description if desired). The scale of maps shall be reasonable so as to show necessary detail, width of map not to exceed 48".		
	Suggested scales: Up to 10 acres Up to 40 acres 1" = 100' 40 acres or more 1" = 200' 1" = 400'		
Date ((month and year) when operation will commence: June 2010		
Estimated date (year) of termination of the proposed mining operation: 2020			
A fee	of \$25.00.		
	Name, telephone number, and address of the agent or persons to whom any notice under the provisions of the Wyoming Environmental Quality Act, Land Quality Division or Rules and Regulations adopted thereunder may be sent: Michael P. Thomas PO Box 50850 1701 East E Street Casper, WY 82605-0850 307-265-8900		

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President or Vice President if the applicant is a corpor the said application and fully know the contents, there application are true and correct to my best knowledge Uranerz Energy Corporation applicant has the right and power by the legal estate ow desired; that applicant or entities controlled by or under not involved in forfeiture proceedings for, a bond postelicense to mine suspended or revoked; and if a surface by or under common control with the applicant has paid under the jurisdiction of P.L. 95-87 as required by Title	at or entities controlled by or under common control with the med to mine from the land for which this License to Mine is recommon control with the applicant has not forfeited, or is d for reclamation purposes nor has had a mining permit or a coal mining application, that applicant or entities controlled d the reclamation fees for this and all coal mining operations IV of that law; and that applicant or entities controlled by or my Federal or State Coal mining permits or licenses to mine
Dated this 30 th day of No.	VEMBER 2007
(Corporate Seal)	ame Glenn J. Catchpole (printed or typed) itle President and CEO
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Approved by: By: Manual Administrator Land Quality Division Department of Environmental Quality	Director Department of Environmental Quality RECT WILL

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