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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:

Earlier today Powertech (USA) Inc. filed a joint motion to extend by five days the deadline for its answers to the contentions on the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (DSEIS). The Staff supports Powertech's request for an extension, as well as the Intervenors' request to move the deadline for responding to both Powertech's and the NRC Staff's answers to March 25, 2013. The Staff wishes to clarify, however, that it is not seeking an extension of time, and that it will file its answers to the DSEIS contentions by March 6, 2013.

Sincerely,

/Signed (electronically) by/ Patricia A. Jehle

Patricia A. Jehle Counsel for NRC Staff

## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

## BEFORE THE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

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(Dewey-Burdock In Situ Uranium Recovery ) Facility)	Date: March 1, 2013

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

Pursuant to 10 C.F.R § 2.305 (revised), I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing "CLARIFICATION OF STAFF POSITION ON MOTION" in this proceeding have been served via the Electronic Information Exchange (EIE), the NRC's E-Filing System, this 1<sup>st</sup> day of March 2013.

/Signed (electronically) by/ Patricia A. Jehle

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Date of Signature: March 1, 2013