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RE: Uranium Contamination in the Navajo Nation, DOE Response

Dear Dr. Miller:

This letter is written as a follow-up to the November 6, 2007 letter to you from Henry Waxman, Chairman of the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform and Ranking Minority Committee member Tom Davis.

In that letter you were asked to "consult with the Navajo Nation government." Please be advised that this consultation, and all consultation regarding uranium contamination related issues in Navajo Indian Country, must be coordinated through the Navajo Nation Department of Justice. I have designated David Taylor to be the point person for coordinating this consultation.

Discussions between individual representatives of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and individual representatives of Navajo agencies can and should continue. But, for purposes of government to government consultation between the United States government and the Navajo government, relating to the official Navajo position regarding uranium contamination throughout Navajo Indian Country, all such communication must be through the Navajo Department of Justice.

We would greatly appreciate it if you would designate an appropriate person in your Agency for purposes of coordinating this government to government consultation.

Sincerely,

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