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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 following are the issuance dates, or estimated issuance dates, for documents associated with the staff's review:

Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS)  
*Issued November 2012*

Safety Evaluation Report  
*Issued March 2013*

Final SEIS  
*Estimated Issuance Date: October 2013*

These dates are the same as those listed in the staff's last status report.

As mentioned in the staff's last status report, a field survey at the Dewey-Burdock site began on April 2, 2013. The purpose of the survey was to identify any resources of cultural or religious significance to American Indian tribes that may be affected by Powertech's proposed project. Although the survey was delayed several times due to inclement weather, the participating tribal representatives were able to complete their surveys on May 24, 2013. The participating tribes are scheduled to submit survey reports to the NRC staff by June 26, 2013.

In addition to working with tribal representatives on the field survey, on May 23, 2013 the staff met with tribal representatives to discuss issues related to the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA). The meeting was in Rapid City, South Dakota. The staff will consider the input provided by the participating tribal representatives as it continues its review under Section 106 of the NHPA.

The staff's next status report is due July 1, 2013. At that time the staff will provide updated estimates of the release date for its remaining documents.

Sincerely,

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

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to 10 C.F.R § 2.305 (revised), I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing "NRC STAFF'S STATUS REPORT" in this proceeding have been served via the Electronic Information Exchange (EIE), the NRC's E-Filing System, this 3<sup>rd</sup> of June 2013.

***/Signed (electronically) by/  
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