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In the Matter of CROW BUTTE RESOURCES, INC. (Marsland Expansion Area)

Docket No. 40-8943-MLA-2; ASLBP No. 13-926-01-MLA-BD01

#### Dear Administrative Judges:

In its Memorandum and Order dated June 14, 2013, the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board ("Board") directed the NRC Staff to notify the Board and parties of changes in the Staff's review schedules. The Staff hereby informs the Board and parties that the estimated completion dates for the Staff's environmental and safety reviews have changed. Due to delays in receiving responses from the applicant on requests for additional information (RAIs), competing resource priorities, and the Staff's recognition that certain aspects of the safety review will inform the environmental review, the Staff now estimates that the draft environmental review document will be completed by May 2015, the final environmental review document will be completed by July 2015, and the safety evaluation report will be completed by August 2015.

In accordance with the Board's June 14 Order, the Staff will notify the Board and parties if there are any further changes to the review schedules.

Respectfully submitted,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Memorandum and Order (Initial Prehearing Conference and Scheduling Order) at 12 (June 14, 2013) (unpublished) ("June 14 Order").

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing "NRC Staff Letter to the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board" in the above-captioned proceeding have been served via the Electronic Information Exchange ("EIE"), the NRC's E-Filing System, this 4<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2014, which to the best of my knowledge resulted in transmittal of the foregoing to those on the EIE Service List for the above-captioned proceeding.

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