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**RE: Draft Environmental Assessment for the Proposed License Amendment for United Nuclear Corporation Church Rock Mill Site, Source Material License NO. SU-1475**

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED), Ground Water Quality Bureau (GWQB), Superfund Oversight Section (SOS) has received your letter dated August 15, 2014 addressed to Mr. Earle Dixon soliciting comments on United Nuclear Corporation's (UNC) Environmental Assessment (EA) and license amendment request. The letter requests that comments be provided to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) within 30 days of receipt of the letter (received by NMED August 28, 2014).

Due to multiple other prior obligations and assignments, the GWQB will not be able to provide a thorough review within the time frame provided. Following discussions with Ms. Janet Brooks, UNC Superfund project manager for the Environmental Protection Agency Region 6, the NMED GWQB is requesting an extension in which the NRC will accept comments. The NMED GWQB is requesting an extension until October 31, 2014 to review the EA and submit comments or support of the proposal.

NMED appreciates the opportunity to review and comment on the EA. If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact me at 505-827-2434. Thank you for the consideration.

Sincerely,

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SOS Reading File