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March 8, 2015

Ms. Jean F. Lawlor
Cameco Resources
550 N. Poplar Street, Suite 100
Casper, WY 82601

RE: Review of the 2014-2015 Annual Report for Cameco Resources Ruth ISL, Permit 631

Dear Ms. Lawlor:

I have reviewed the 2014-2015 Annual Report submitted to the District III office under your cover letter on December 21, 2015 and have the following comment:

1. My review of the cost assumptions made by the mine in calculating the reclamation liability indicates that the mine is using values largely consistent with LQD's Guideline 12 and the values used by other ISL operations. The cost of reclamation has been calculated at \$419,000.00, an increase of \$54,000.00 from the current bond of \$365,000.00. This will be addressed in the Director's Bond Letter to follow this review and the annual inspection at the Ruth ISL facilities and pending NRC concurrence. No response is necessary.

Although I have no comments requiring a response for the 2014-2015 Annual Report I am unable to close out the annual report review until after this year's annual inspection which will verify the contents of the annual report. There is no response required for this annual report review. If you have any question please contact me at (307) 673-9337.

Sincerely,

Josh Malmberg
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cc: Doug Mandeville, U.S. NRC, MS T-8F5, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852

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