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HYDRO RESOURCES, INC.'S OPPOSITION
TO ENDAUM'S AND SRIC'S MOTION TO STRIKE NRC STAFF FILING OR IN THE
ALTERNATIVE FOR LEAVE TO REPLY TO HRI'S AND NRC STAFF'S
OPPOSITIONS TO ENDAUM'S AND SRIC'S PETITION FOR REVIEW OF LBP-99-13
(FINANCIAL SURETY ISSUES)

Hydro Resources, Inc. ("HRI"), licensee herein, respectfully submits this Opposition to Intervenors Eastern Navajo Dine Against Uranium Mining's ("ENDAUM") and Southwest Information and Resource Center's ("SRIC") (collectively, "Intervenors") Motion to Strike NRC Staff Filing, Or in the Alternative, For Leave to Reply to the Staff's Filing and Responses Filed by HRI and the Staff to Intervenors' Petition for Review of LBP-99-13 (Financial Surety Issues) ("Intervenors' Motion"). As HRI previously has asserted before the Presiding Officer and this Commission, applicable regulations require HRI to make surety arrangements satisfactory to the NRC prior to commencing operations. 10 C.F.R. Part 40, Appendix A, criterion 9. That HRI is in the process of obtaining such surety is evidenced by the by the recently submitted information referenced by HRI and the Staff that forms the basis of Intervenors' instant motion. HRI's financial surety is not yet final and its adequacy thus cannot yet be judged. Thus, HRI opposes

Intervenors' Motion and joins in the NRC Staff's Response to Petitioners' Motion For Leave To A Reply filed on April 28, 1999.

For the reasons set forth above, licensee, HRI, respectfully requests that Intervenors' Motion be DENIED.

Respectfully submitted this 3rd day of May, 1999.

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