

September 2, 2016¹

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In the Matter of
CROW BUTTE RESOURCES, INC.
(License Renewal for the In Situ Leach Facility, Crawford, Nebraska)
Docket No. 40-8943; ASLBP No. 08-867-02-OLA-BD01

Dear Administrative Judges,

In its Partial Initial Decision issued May 26, 2016, the Board directed the NRC Staff to submit monthly status reports updating the Board and parties as to the status of the Staff's curative actions in response to the Board's resolution of Contention 1.

On August 2, 2016, the Staff met with the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (THPO) and other representatives of the Oglala Sioux Tribe (OST) in Pine Ridge, South Dakota, and discussed the potential for a targeted cultural resources survey at the license area. The Staff has maintained communication with the OST THPO via weekly phone calls throughout August.

The Staff will submit its next monthly status report by October 3, 2016, in accordance with the Board's mandate.

¹ On September 1, 2016, counsel for the Staff inadvertently filed a duplicate of the monthly status report dated August 1, 2016. This filing is intended to replace that submission.

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Respectfully submitted,

Signed (electronically) by

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This 2nd day of September, 2016

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing "NRC STAFF'S LETTER TO THE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD" in the above captioned proceeding have been served this 2nd day of September 2016 via the NRC's Electronic Information Exchange ("EIE"), 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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