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Subject: Acknowledgment and status of recent submittals related to LC 9.12, LC 10.6, and LC 11.9
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SUBJECT: ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT AND STATUS OF LICENSE
CONDITION 9.12 SUBMITTAL AND AMENDMENT REQUEST UNDER LICENSE SUA-
1534,
CROW BUTTE RESOURCES, INC., DAWES COUNTY, NEBRASKA, DOCKET # 040-
08943

Dear Mr. Teahon,

Below is a description of submittals the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff has received in regards to Crow Butte Resources, Inc.'s (CBR's) license SUA-1534 (ML16078A239).

License Condition (LC) 9.12 (Cost Activity Code (CAC) L00766) – By e-mail dated March 20, 2017 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML17080A486), Cameco Resources, Crow Butte Operation (CBO) responded to NRC staff's August 8, 2016, comment (ADAMS Accession No. ML16203A082) on CBO's Revision #5 (Rev. 5) of CBO's Quality Assurance Program (QAP) (ADAMS Accession No. ML16166A126). The principal change involved adding a description of the position for Qualified Designated Operator to its license application.

The change described above was accomplished through CBO's Safety and Environmental Review Panel (SERP) process. Specifically, SERP-16-03 (Revised) (ADAMS Accession No. ML17034A044) revised Section 5 of the license application (Technical Report) to include a description of the Designated Operator position.

Revision #6 of CBO's QAP (ADAMS Accession No. ML17080A486) made some additional technical and editorial changes, as well as correcting the description of weekly inspections in Section 13.4.2 of the QAP.

The NRC staff has no further questions on CBO's QAP.

However, the NRC staff observes that section 5 of the license application (ADAMS Accession No. ML17034A044) also provides a description of the weekly inspections in Section 5.4.1.2. This description is not consistent with the requirements of LC 9.7 or the revised description of weekly inspections in Section 13.4.2 of the QAP. LC 9.7 requires CBO to follow the guidance set forth in Regulatory Guide 8.31, with the exception of the daily inspections as provided in LC 9.7. CBO's current license does not allow for the performance of weekly inspections using a designee as indicated in Section 5.4.1.2 of CBO's license application.

LC 10.16 and LC 11.9 Amendment Request – By e-mail dated March 21, 2017 (ADAMS Accession No. ML17081A132), CBO transmitted its amendment request for LC 10.16 and LC 11.9 related to the management of its evaporation ponds. The NRC staff is performing an acceptance review of this request and will notify you of the results. CBO also requested a public meeting to discuss the proposed changes. A teleconference has been established for this purpose (ADAMS Accession No. ML17082A300).

CAC L00836 has been established for NRC staff work on this request.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Agency Rules of Practice and Procedure," a copy of this e-mail will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the Publicly Available Records component of NRC's ADAMS. ADAMS is accessible from the NRC web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

If you have any questions concerning the above, please contact me at (301) 415-6443 or via e-mail at Ronald.Burrows@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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