

November 1, 2017

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In the Matter of  
POWERTECH (USA) INC.,  
Docket No. 40-9075-MLA; ASLBP No. 10-898-02-MLA-BD01

Dear Administrative Judges:

In accordance with the Board's Partial Initial Decision issued on April 30, 2015, and the Board's Memorandum and Order issued on October 19, 2017, the Staff submits this monthly status report regarding the progress of its efforts to resolve Contention 1A.

In its October 19, 2017, Memorandum and Order ruling on the Staff's motion for summary disposition of the outstanding contentions in this proceeding, the Board found that deficiencies remain in the Staff's environmental review of tribal cultural resources that may be affected by the Dewey-Burdock project. The Staff is currently considering the approaches available to it for remedying the deficiencies identified by the Board.

The Staff will update the Board on the status of its efforts to resolve Contention 1A on December 1, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

***/Signed (electronically) by/  
Emily Monteith***

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to 10 C.F.R. § 2.305, I hereby certify that copies of the "NRC STAFF'S STATUS REPORT" in this proceeding have been served via the Electronic Information Exchange (EIE), the NRC's E-Filing System, this 1st day of November, 2017. Counsel for the Staff served those representatives exempted from filing through the EIE with copies of its update by electronic mail, also on November 1, 2017.

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