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Thank, Sandy. I will look for your e-mail next week.

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Thanks, Charlene for getting back so quickly. A teleconference will be fine and we welcome participation by staff from your Office of Native American Affairs. I will send you teleconference information early next week.

Best regards,
Sandy

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Hello Sandy,

Thanks for your e-mail. We can meet on March 2nd at 10:00 am to discuss the Wyoming NRC State Program. I have asked our Assistant OGC and Sarah to join us at this time and they are both available. I hope we can involve staff from our Office of Native American Affairs in this discussion as well.

We appreciate you reaching out to us regarding the outreach to tribes. If it is ok, we can have a teleconference so we will not have to travel.

Best regards,

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Hello Charlene

I called and left a voicemail on this topic this morning. I am in the office today, if you would like to speak to me. I can be reached at the cell number below on Monday.

I am writing to provide information on the status of the application by the State of Wyoming to become an Agreement State in accordance with Section 274b. of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 as amended (AEA). Under this section of the AEA, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) would discontinue and the State of Wyoming would assume regulatory authority over the regulation of uranium and thorium milling facilities in the States. After review and approval of the State's proposed Agreement program, this transfer of regulatory authority would impact the NRC's consultation with Tribes under the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). If the State of Wyoming's application is approved and regulatory authority is transferred, the NRC would no longer consult with Tribes in Wyoming and the surrounding region under NHPA and NEPA on uranium and thorium recovery activities in Wyoming. However, the NRC would continue to retain regulatory authority over other types of source, byproduct, and special nuclear materials in the State and continue to consult with these Tribes, as appropriate on these other regulatory activities.

The NRC is reviewing the State of Wyoming's draft application that was received on October 26, 2016. On January 28, 2017, the State of Wyoming published draft regulations for its regulatory program for public comment at <http://deq.wyoming.gov/lqd/resources/proposed-rules-regs/> and is accepting comments until March 13, 2017 at <http://lq.wyomingdeq.commentinput.com/>. The State of Wyoming projects that its final application will be submitted in June 2017.

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Staff in NRC's Tribal and Agreement State Programs would like to meet with you by teleconference or at NRC headquarters to provide more information on NRC's outreach to Tribes and the change in consultation practices and to answer any questions on the Agreement State process and the proposed transfer of authority to the State of Wyoming. The best dates for NRC would be the mornings on March 2, 2017 and March 16, 2017 or after March 21, 2017. Please suggest alternatives, if needed.

Best regards,
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