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SUBJECT: REVIEW OF THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE
AMENDMENT OF THE U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
LICENSE NUMBER SUA-1471 FOR THE ZEOLITE WATER TREATMENT
SYSTEM AT THE HOMESTAKE GRANTS RECLAMATION PROJECT IN
CIBOLA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO (DOCKET NUMBER: 40-8903)

Dear Mr. Vollbrecht:

Enclosed is a hard copy of the draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for the amendment of license No. SUA-1471 to add the zeolite water treatment system at the Homestake Grants Reclamation Project, which the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff sent you via e-mail on July 12, 2019. Please submit any comments you may have within 30 days of the receipt of this letter to the Attention: Ms. Cinthya I. Román, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, 11555 Rockville Pike, Mail Stop T-4B16, Rockville, Maryland 20852. Your comments will be addressed in the final EA and finding of no significant impact, which will be noticed in the *Federal Register*.

The enclosed draft EA is not publicly available and is limited for use by the staff of the New Mexico Department of Environment and should not be disclosed without prior NRC permission. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Jean Trefethen of my staff by phone at 301-415-0867 or via e-mail at Jean.Trefethen@nrc.gov.

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Sincerely,

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Docket No. 040-08903
License No. SUA-1471

Enclosure:
Draft Environmental Assessment

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