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Gentlemen:

The purpose of this letter is to confirm in writing the agreements and commitments made during the May 31, 1979 telephone conversations between your Messrs. Jensen and McCormick and Mr. John Linehan of my staff, regarding measures to be taken by your staff until the present flooding condition by the Colorado River has ended.

- A. The following monitoring will be conducted daily:
- a) Level of ponded water within the tailings impoundment.
  - b) Piezometer readings for all piezometers located in the south embankment of the tailings impoundment.
  - c) Horizontal distance of floodwaters from the nearest toe of the tailings embankment and the elevation of ponded water and the embankment toe at this point.
- B. Tailings will be discharged so as to build as much of a beach as possible on the south side of the tailings pond.
- C. Photographs will be taken to provide a record of the flooding situation.

In addition to the above agreed upon items you are requested to take daily measurements of the Colorado River at the Moab Bridge or some other reference point and determine the daily rate of rise or fall of the river.

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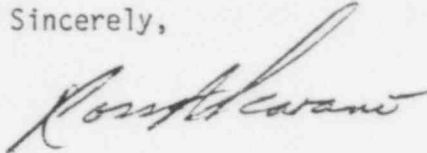
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If you have any questions on the above, please call Mr. John Linehan of my staff as soon as possible.

Sincerely,



Ross A. Scarano, Section Leader  
Uranium Recovery Licensing Branch  
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cc:  
W. Jensen, Atlas Moab Mill

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