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March 14, 1980

Certified No. 187081 Return Receipt Requested

Mr. A. J. Hazle, Director Radiation and Hazardous Wastes Control Div. Colorado Department of Health

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18ubject: Extension of Operating Period in Pond 1

Dear Mr. Hazie:

The authorization to discharge tailings into Pond 1, which was issued on February 21, 1980, expires on March 25, 1980.

A letter from Acres American, Inc., dated March 14, 1980, which provides stability factor calculations and recommendations on the method of operation of Pond 1, was sent to your attention.

The Company requests permission to continue discharge of tailings into Pond I until the limiting conditions outlined in Acres' letter of March 14, 1980 are reached; or authorization to discharge into another pond is authorized. Without an extension of the operating period in Pond 1 the Company will be forced to shut the mill down.

Prompt action on the request to continue operation in Pond 1 is appreciated. If additional information is required please call me.

Sincerely yours,

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Environmental Coordinator

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