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Dear Dr. Wolff:

This is in response to the letter from T. Buhl of your staff to H. Miller of my staff, dated April 23, 1980, and received on April 28, 1980, requesting our review of proposed revisions to cleanup criteria established in connection with the Church Rock dam failure.

I regret to inform you that because of a lack of available resources, we cannot provide the review and technical assistance you requested. As you are aware, we have contracted with Battelle Pacific Northwest Laboratories (BPNL) to reduce and statistically analyze soil sample data gathered from affected streams after the incident. This work is nearing completion and we fully intend to provide the BPNL reports to you as they are completed.

If you have any questions on this matter, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Ross A. Scarano, Chief

Uranium Recovery Licensing Branch

Division of Waste Management

cc: G. W. Kerr, SP