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Quivira Mining Company
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Gentlemen:

This is in response to your letter dated September 27, 1989 providing an update on the status of open items identified during the NRC inspection conducted on May 22-23, 1989. Our review indicates that the actions taken are adequate to address the concerns raised. In addition, we agree that the proposed meeting between 3M, the manufacturer of the disposable half-mask respirators, and knowledgeable NRC Headquarters personnel should serve to resolve the issue of respiratory protection credit for use of the respirators.

We will review the implementation of the corrective actions during a future inspection. If you have any questions, please contact Pete Garcia of my staff on (303) 236-2815.

Sincerely,

Ramon E. Hall
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