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Mr. Ross A. Scarano, Chief Uranium Recovery Licensing Branch Division of Waste Management U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D. C. 20555 RECEIVED STATES TO STATE OF THE STATE OF THE

Dear Mr. Scarano:

Thank you for sending us your Draft Environmental Statement on the Bison Basin in-situ uranium mining and recovery project (NUREG-0687). We intend to provide you our review of this document, but must ask for an extension beyond the August 4 closing date for comments. We expect to have our comments to you by September 1.

Thank you for your patience and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Paul Wagner

Environmental Radiation Specialist

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