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MEMORANDUM FOR: Leo B. Higginbotham, Chief
Radiological Safety Branch
Office of Inspection and Enforcement

FROM: Ross A. Scarano, Chief
Uranium Recovery Licensing Branch
Division of Waste Management

SUBJECT: UNAUTHORIZED TRANSFER OF SOLUTION MINING TAILINGS

Upon receipt of the attached letter from Cleveland-Cliffs, we telephoned them on December 22, 1980, due to our concern over their proposal to transfer solution mining tailings from their site to a warehouse in Casper, Wyoming. Mr. Truman Lauderback of Cleveland-Cliffs informed Mr. Gregory Eadie, of my staff, that the transfer had already taken place. Since this transfer is not authorized by license and may not be in compliance with transportation regulations, we are referring the matter to you for appropriate action.

Ross A. Scarano, Chief
Uranium Recovery Licensing Branch
Division of Waste Management

Enclosure:
As Stated