

May 6, 1996

Mr. Harold Roberts, President
Energy Fuels Nuclear, Inc.
1515 Arapahoe Street, Suite 900
Denver, Colorado 80202

SUBJECT: RECLAMATION PLAN FOR THE WHITE MESA MILL, BLANDING, UTAH., SOURCE
MATERIAL LICENSE SUA-1358

Dear Mr. Roberts:

In June 1985 a revised Reclamation Plan was submitted for the White Mesa site, located in Blanding, Utah. Since that time, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has issued new guidance related to radon flux and the stabilization of reclaimed tailings and a Standard Review Plan (SRP) applicable to the remediation of uranium mill sites. In order to ensure its Reclamation Plan is up to date, Energy Fuels Nuclear, Inc. (EFN) should review the White Mesa Plan and make any necessary revisions to address current guidance. The NRC staff will not conduct a reclamation review until EFN resubmits its Reclamation Plan with appropriate revisions, or advises the NRC that the assumptions, data, and designs in the June 1988 submittal address current staff guidance and are up to date.

Copies of NRC guidance documents issued since 1988 and a copy of the SRP are enclosed. You should consider the information in these documents in your revision. When resubmitted, the revised Reclamation Plan for the White Mesa site should be complete, but may incorporate, by reference, any information previously submitted to the NRC relevant to the reclamation of the White Mesa site.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact the NRC Project Manager, Mr. James Park, at (301) 415-6699.

Sincerely,

(Original signed by Daniel M. Gillen for)

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Enclosures: As stated

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