

UNITED STATES

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

REGION IV

URANIUM RECOVERY FIELD OFFICE BOX 25325 DENVER, COLORADO 80225

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Docket No. 40-8903

MEMORANDUM FOR: David Meyer, Branch Chief Rules Review and Directives Branch Office of Administration

FROM: Ramon E. Hall, Director Uranium Recovery Field Office

SUBJECT:

NOTICE OF SIGNING OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE EPA AND THE NRC REGARDING THE HOMESTAKE URANIUM MILL

Attached is the Notice of the Signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Environmental Protection Agency and the NRC concerning the Homestake Uranium Mill, as well as a copy of the MOU. We request that the Notice and the MOU be submitted to the Federal Register for publication.

Please contact me on (303) 231-5800 if you have any questions regarding this request.

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Ramon E. Hall Director

Attachments: As stated

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION URANIUM RECOVERY FIELD OFFICE

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission

ACTION: Notice of signing of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and the Environmental Protection (EPA) Agency concerning the Homestake Uranium Mill.

SUMMARY: On December 14, 1993, the NRC and the EPA signed an MOU delineating agency responsibilities in regulating activities at the Homestake Mining Company's Grants Uranium Mill. The NRC has regulated activities at the site since June 1, 1986, under a source and byproduct material license issued in accordance with Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 40. Prior to June 1, 1986, activities at the site were regulated under a license issued by the State of New Mexico in accordance with its status as an NRC agreement state. During the period of State regulatory authority, the Homestake site was placed on the EPA's Superfund National Priorities List at the request of the State. A copy of the MOU, which delineates agency responsibilities at the site, is printed following this notice.

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[NRC-EPA MOU]