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MEMORANDUM FOR: Docket File No. 40-3453

FROM: Raymond O. Gonzales Project Manager

SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF A RADON MONITORING PROGRAM AT THE ATLAS MOAB MILL

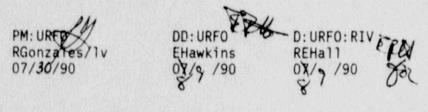
In a Confirmation Action Letter dated June 8, 1989, the staff directed Atlas Minerals to immediately implement a radon monitoring program. Results were to be obtained and reported on a monthly basis, and a report was to be submitted to URFO within 15 days of the end of each month's sampling.

Atlas, in a letter dated July 18, 1989, informed URFO that an order for continuous air samplers had been placed with Terradex on June 2, 1989. They also provided air sampling results for the second quarter of 1989. The sampling for the month of June was not reported separately from April and May because prior to receiving URFO's June 8, 1989, letter, the requirement was for quarterly reporting. The results of the second quarter, 1989, were as follows:

> S1 - 0.9 pCi/1 S2 - 0.2 pCi/1 S3 - 0.8 pCi/1 S4 - 0.5 pCi/1 S6 - 0.3 pCi/1

All of these air samples were below MPC, with S1 being the highest at 30 percent of MPC.

Station S2, which had been giving high readings, was unusually low. Atlas could not explain the low reading, except that they were investigating further with Terradex.



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A commitment was made by Atlas to report the results of their air monitoring program on a monthly basis, beginning in July.

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The staff, after reviewing Atlas' July 18, 1989, letter, concludes that Atlas has complied fully with NRC's requirement to implement an air monitoring program.

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