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SUBJECT: INSPECTION OF NRC LICENSED ACTIVITIES AT ENVIROCARE OF UTAH, INC.

This is in regard to the meeting held in your offices on January 26, 1994, between Messrs. William Sinclair and Dane Finerfrock of your organization and Mr. Dwight Chamberlain and other members of the NRC Region IV staff. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss upcoming inspections at Envirocare of Utah, Inc., of their NRC licensed disposal activities.

Envirocare of Utah, Inc., is licensed by both the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the State of Utah to receive and permanently dispose of certain radioactive materials. The NRC license was issued in November 1993 and initial construction activities and receipt and disposal of materials under the authority of the NRC license will be commencing in the coming months. The state licensed activities have been underway since 1989 and your inspectors have maintained a heavy inspection presence at the facility since that time.

During the January 26, 1994, meeting we reviewed our respective programs and plans for the inspection of Envirocare of Utah, Inc. We also explored the establishment of a framework for close intra-agency coordination of Envirocare inspection activities and the communication of inspection findings and observations. We agreed that in the future, it may be in the interests of both regulatory agencies to define a more formalized agreement of inspection coordination.

Pending a determination for the need for a more formalized agreement concerning our coordination of inspection activities, we agreed during the meeting to the following framework:

- NRC will initiate its inspection of Envirocare during the construction of the 11(e).2 disposal area and will conduct inspections according to program guidance. The State of Utah Division of Radiation Control will be contacted prior to all routine NRC inspections of Envirocare. Accompaniment of NRC inspectors by state inspection personnel will be welcomed.
- The Division of Radiation Control will provide information to NRC Region IV concerning any findings or observations from its inspections which may fall under the jurisdiction of the NRC license, or which may adversely impact the manner in which NRC

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licensed activities are being conducted. Communication of such information may be by letter or telephone.

- NRC requests that information copies of any inspection reports, Notices of Violation, or other enforcement actions issued by the Division of Radiation Control to Envirocare of Utah, Inc., be provided to NRC Region IV. Standing NRC policy is to provide the Division of Radiation Control with like information issued by the NRC.
- The Region IV contact for NRC licensed activities is Dr. D. Blair Spitzberg (817) 860-8191.
- After the NRC gathers sufficient inspection experience with Envirocare of Utah, Inc., and the licensee's operations settle into more of a steady state condition, the NRC will again seek a meeting with the State of Utah to discuss the need for a more formalized agreement for the coordination of inspection activities for this licensee.

We appreciate the cooperation of the Division of Radiation Control during our meeting. We believe the meeting was beneficial and that by working together we can conduct effective and efficient inspections of this licensee while minimizing regulatory duplication. We look forward to working with your staff in the future.

Sincerely,



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