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Mr. Joseph J. Holonich, Acting Chief Uranium Recovery Branch Division of Low-Level Waste Management and Decommissioning Office of Nuclear Materials Safety and Safeguards Mail Stop 5E-4 OWFN U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555

Dear Mr. Holonich:

Enclosed please find six (6) copies of the draft Long-Term Surveillance Plan (LTSP) (controlled copies # 4-9) for the Shiprock, New Mexico, Uranium Mill Tailings Remedial Action (UMTRA) Project site. This LTSP was developed in accordance with the document entitled "Guidance for Implementing the UMTRA Project Long-Term Surveillance Program." This document replaces the draft Surveillance and Maintenance Plan previously submitted and incorporates responses to comments received from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and the Navajo Nation. Any necessary changes needed in order to respond to your review will be incorporated into a revised final LTSP for NRC acceptance. The NRC acceptance of the revised final LTSP will bring the Shiprock disposal site under the general license for the UMTRA Program.

Also enclosed for your information is one copy of the final 1993 Annual Prelicensing Inspection Report for the Tuba City, Arizona, disposal site. The inspection was conducted by the Grand Junction Projects Office.

Please provide any comments you may have concerning the LTSP by April 22, 1994. If you have any questions concerning either document, please contact Russel Edge at your earliest convenience at (505) 845-6130.

Sincerely,

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Uranium Mill Tailings Remedial Action

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