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Mr. Ross Scarano  
 Low Level Waste Licensing Branch  
 U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
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Dear Mr. Scarano:

On January 24-26, 1983, we plan to conduct environmental impact statement (EIS) scoping meetings for the Grand Junction and Rifle inactive uranium mill sites. Copies of the notices of intent to prepare the EISs were previously provided to your office.

Our past practice in conducting the scoping meetings has been to have a technical panel present to provide information and answer questions. The panel has consisted of the UMTRA Project Office site project engineer, a NRC representative, and a state representative. We would like to have a similar panel for the Grand Junction and Rifle scoping meetings and request that you designate a NRC representative to sit on the panel. Please advise us as soon as possible whether the NRC will be able to participate and if so, who your representative will be.

Also, on the evening of January 26 we plan to present the results of our stabilization-in-place analysis for the Gunnison site to the Gunnison County Planning Commission and invite your attendance at that meeting.

If you have any questions or require additional information on this matter, please contact John Themelis of my staff at FTS 844-3941.

Sincerely,

*John S. Themelis*  
 for James A. Morley, Project Manager  
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