



UNITED STATES  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
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In reply Refer To:  
Docket: 40-3453

Richard R. Weaver, President  
Atlas Corporation  
353 Nassau Street  
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Dear Mr. Weaver:

This letter is to confirm your conversation with Harry Pettengill of my staff on August 10, 1987. In that conversation you requested approval to continue discharge of waste solutions from the Velvet Mine IX into the Moab mill tailings pond and that you be given an extra 10 days in which to request a hearing on NRC's Order of July 31, 1987...

With regard to your desire to continue use of the tailings pond for disposal of Velvet Mine IX wastes, you may accept this letter as written notification that the NRC agrees with your disposal of up to 1500 gallons of eluent solutions per month for a period not to exceed a year from the date of this letter. You will keep a written record of such disposals and these records will be available at the Moab site for NRC review.

After consideration by the Regional Administrator it is also agreed that Atlas may have an additional 10 days for filing a request for hearing on the July 31, 1987 Order, if you so desire. You should be aware that this action does not change Atlas's obligations under that Order since it was issued immediately effective.

I trust I have been responsive to your requests.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

R. Dale Smith, Director  
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