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Enclosed is a copy of the final Remedial Action Concept Paper (RACP) for the uranium mill tailings site at Durango, Colorado. This document has the approval of both the State of Colorado and the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission. The purpose of the RACP is to identify and briefly describe remedial action options that appear to be most feasible at this time, and to discuss significant factors affecting the remedial action decision. The RACP is a scoping document that provides a conceptual basis for the preparation of environmental documentation required by the National Environmental Policy Act. Because the RACP is a scoping document, it is not intended to present in-depth quantitative analysis and evaluation of conceptual designs.

Any comments you may wish to make regarding the enclosed document would be appreciated.

Sincerely,

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