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Ferret Exploration Company of Nebraska, Inc. ATTN: Ralph Knode, Vice President 216 Sixteenth St. Mall, Suite 810 Denver, Colorado 80202

Dear Mr. Knode:

The NRC has reviewed your submittal dated December 4, 1990, regarding your company's health physics administration program, required by License Condition Nos. 36 and 39. Your submittal described employee exposure calculation methodology and health-physics staff qualifications.

NRC's review of your submittal determined that exposure methodologies were adequate for internal and external exposures, with the exception that a minimum time in which calculations must be completed was not specified. Therefore, License Condition No. 36 will include language to require completion of calculations within one week of the end of each respective regulatory period.

Additional review confirms your Corporate Radiation Safety Officer and Health Physics Technician are adequately trained and qualified for their positions and responsibilities. All requirements will be subject to verification during upcoming inspections.

Therefore, pursuant to Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 40, Source Material License SUA-1534 is being amended by revising License Condition Nos. 36 and 39 to read as follows:

36. Occupational exposure calculations shall be performed and documented within one week of the end of each regulatory compliance period as specified in 10 CFR 20.103(a)(2) and 10 CFR 20.103(b)(2). Routine radon daughter and particulate samples shall be analyzed in a timely manner to allow exposure calculations to be performed in accordance with this condition. Nonroutine samples shall be analyzed and the results reviewed by the RSO within two working days after sample collection.

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License requirements for health-physics staff qualifications in Condition No. 18, and all other license conditions shall remain unchanged. The license is being reissued in its entirety to incorporate the changes specified above. The issuance of this amendment was discussed between your Mr. Stephen Collings and Mr. Joel Grimm of our staff on January 29, 1991.

Sincerely,

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Ramon E. Hall Director

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