UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

BEFORE THE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

In the Matter of

U.S. ECOLOGY, INC.

Docket No. 27-39

(Sheffield, Illinois Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Site)

JOINT MOTION TO CONTINUE PROCEEDINGS

By Order dated February 16, 1983, this Licensing Board granted a joint motion by U.S. Ecology, Inc. and the NRC Staff, to continue proceedings to and including May 2, 1983, in order to permit additional time for settlement negotiations. Continued progress has been made in that regard. Settlement documents have been exchanged and the exchange of technical information has continued. There has been increased contact and meetings between many of the parties. As a minimum, this has resulted in a material narrowing of issues. Accordingly, the NRC Staff and U.S. Ecology hereby jointly move this Board to extend the continuance for an additional period of seventy-five days to and including July 18, 1983 to provide additional time for settlement negotiations. It is believed that continued progress can be made during this period.

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Counsel for other parties to this proceeding have been contacted and the undersigned counsel are aware of no objections to this motion.

Respectfully submitted,

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Counsel for U.S. Ecology, Inc.

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland this 29th day of April, 1983

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of "JOINT MOTION TO CONTINUE PROCEEDINGS" in the above-captioned proceeding have been served on the following by deposit in the United States mail, first class or, as indicated by an asterisk, through deposit in the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's internal mail system, this 29th day of April, 1983:

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