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SUBJECT: PRE-ACCEPTANCE REVIEWS FOR UCC WEST GAS HILLS  
HEAP LEACH FACILITY

The preliminary review of the Union Carbide Corporation (UCC) application and environmental report for the West Gas Hills (WGH) Heap Leach Facility has been completed. Due to UCC's decision to separate the WGH project from their East Gas Hills mill license renewal, completed January 30, 1981, the original Environmental Assessment, submitted March 5, 1976, required updating. UCC submitted a revised application including updated information on the facility location, design, and operations with a December 22, 1981 letter from T. Wong, UCC, to J. Linehan, NRC. The WGH reclamation plan was not included. Licensing fees were submitted on June 16, 1981.

The general content of the WGH application and the environmental report was found to be acceptable for the preparation of both the Safety Evaluation Report and the Environmental Impact Assessment. Additional information will be requested from the applicant on specific details of these submittals as the review progresses.

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