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Dear Mr. Reynolds:

Homestake Mining Company-Grants, as part of their Uranium Mill Radioactive Material License Renewal Application, has submitted an Environmental Report. A copy of this report has been delivered to the State Engineer Office.

Please give this report a preliminary review for adequacy and completeness and provide me with any comments you have. I will be writing Mr. Ed Kennedy later this month accepting this report for formal technical review if it is found to be adequate and complete.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

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Subsistence: 1) data for MILDOS 2) general operational and operational monitoring program, 3) general operational monitoring program.

1. Data for MILDOS (Include variations of parameter with time, if possible).

A. PHYSICAL PLANT DATA

1. Detailed site plot plan (overlaid on topographic map, with scale and true north arrow) clearly identifying all location of

FIG B1-2. a. Site property boundaries -

FIG A2-2 b. Raw ore storage pads ✓

" A2-2 c. Primary crushers

" A2-2 d. Secondary crushers ✓

" A2-2 e. Crushed ore storage areas ✓

" A2-2 f. Ore grinders ✓

" A2-2 g. Yellowcake dryer and yellowcake dryer stack FIG C4-2

" A2-2 h. Yellowcake packaging area exhaust stack FIG C4-2

" C9-1 i. Tailings impoundments and their boundaries ALSO C9-2

NA j. Any heap leach piles and their boundaries

" B1-2 k. Restricted area boundaries if different from site property boundaries

NA 1. Some of the above features do not apply to an in-situ leaching project; the applicant should substitute the locations of

1. injection and production wells

2. surge tanks, ion exchange columns and evaporation ponds

2. Plant operations data

SECT. C1.2 a. General data ALSO SECT A1.2

" A1.2 1. Ore processing rates for all crushers and grinders, MT/d;

" C4.2.1.1 hr/d and d/yr operational TABLE C4.1

SECT A1.2 2. Raw ore grade, %  $U_3O_8$  by weight, average, and range

" A1.2 3. Measured and/or expected yellowcake purity, %  $U_3O_8$  by weight (average and grade) and MT/yr yellowcake produced

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SECTION 3-300B



*SECT A1.1* 4. Expected dates of start of ore milling, end of ore milling, and completion of tailings area reclamation

*NA* 5. For an in-situ leaching project include

- a. production rate, in gallons per minute; concentration of  $U_3O_8$  in pregnant lixiviant
- b. Concentration of Rn-222 in site well water or pregnant lixiviant
- c. Expected dates of start of production, end of production and completion of site reclamation.
- d. Locations of vents for production building

b. Ore storage data (Omit for in-situ leaching project)

*SECT C1.2.3* 1. Area of each pile or bin complex, in  $m^2$ , average and range *PAGE C4-4*

*TABLE C4.2*

2. Mass of stored ore stored in each pile, in MT, average and range *PAGE C4-7*

*SECT. C1.2.1*

" *C1.2.1* 3. Description of ore storage area activities and equipment used

" *C1.3.2* 4. Antidusting measures routinely implemented *PAGE C4-7*

*TABLE C1.1* 5. Anticipated dusting rates, in MT/yr *SECT. C4.2.1.3, PAGE C4-6*

*TABLE C1.2* 6. Anticipated Rn-222 released, in Ci/yr

? 7. Fractions of input ore sent to storage *PAGE C4-7*

*C1.2.2.1* 8. Description of grizzly or apron feeder

*C1.2.2.1* c. Crushing, (grinding data) (omit for in-situ leaching project)  
*C1.2.4.1*

*C1.3.2* 1. Description of ventilation air filtration equipment

*C1.3.2* 2. Design efficiency of exhaust filters

*PAGE C4-8* 3. Minimum efficiencies of exhaust filters

? 4. Filter testing procedures and schedule if applicable *PAGE C1-17*

? 5. Fraction of time filters not operational or used { *SEE DRYER - 50 HRS/YR. PAGE C4-10*

? 6. Any measured effluent concentrations

*TABLE C4.2* 7. Stack and vent heights and air flows (*AND EXH. VEL.*)

*TABLE C4.3* 8. Anticipated release rates, in kg/hr  
(*g/yr*)

TABLE C4.4 9. Anticipated Rn-222 release rate, in Ci/yr

PAGE C4-8 10. Fractions of ore throughput reaching filters as dust  
f C4-9.

d. Yellowcake drying and packaging data

1. Processing rates, MT/hr, for drying and packaging if different
2. Hr/d and d/yr drying and packaging operations are carried out
3. Description of all ventilation air filtration equipment with design, expected, and minimum efficiencies PAGE C1-17
4. Filtration equipment testing procedures and frequencies PAGE C1-17
5. Any measured effluent concentrations PAGE C1-17
6. Stack heights and air flows TABLE C4.3 (AVG. EXIT VEL.)
7. Anticipated release rates, in kg/hr, for the dryer stack, the packaging area ventilation exhaust, and any yellowcake storage area ventilation exhaust. PAGE C1-17

SECT C2.0 e. Tailings impoundment system data (or evaporation pond data for In-situ leaching project)

SECT C2.1 1. Brief physical, chemical, hydrological, and radiological description  
" C12.55

SECT C2.1 2. Total area, surface areas expected to be under water, saturated, moist, and dry (indicate surface moisture contents used as basis of estimates)

SECT C9.1.1 3. Description of antidusting measures routinely implemented, their frequency of application and expected effectiveness

"TABLE C1.1 4. Anticipated dusting rates for saturated, moist, and dry surface, areas, in  $\text{g/m}^2$  per sec. (Tons/yr)

SECT C9.5 5. Anticipated Rn-222 release rates for underwater, saturated, moist and dry surface areas, Ci/yr per  $\text{m}^2$

SECT C9.3 - 6. Brief description of reclamation plan  
C9.8

- SECT. C9.3.2 1. Estimated drying time required prior to initiation of reclamation procedures and basis
- ? 8. Estimated time required to stabilize and reclaim after drying and basis
- ? 9. Post-reclamation estimate Rn-222 release rate, Ci/yr per m<sup>2</sup>, and basis

SECT. B2.0 B. METEOROLOGICAL DATA

SECT. B2.1.1 1. Joint frequency data

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& AT GALLUP)

- a. Onsite meteorological data - *TEMP. ONLY - SECT B2.1*
1. Location and heights of instrumentation - *NOT GIVEN*
2. Description of instrumentation - *NOT GIVEN*
- ? 3. Minimum of 1 full year of onsite frequency distribution data in format used by MILDOS
- ? 4. Discussion of percent recovery and quality of data.

SECT B2.1.4 b. National Weather Service (NWS) station data (used only if onsite or near-site meteorological data is unavailable)

- ✓ 1. Locations of all NWS stations within 80 km (50 mi) (*GRANTS*)

TABLE B2.1 2. Available joint frequency distribution data by wind direction, wind speed, and stability class in format used by MILDOS

§ FIG. B2.1

3. Period of record by month and year - *TEMP, TABLE B2.3, RH. TABLE B2.4*

- NOT GIVEN* 4. Height of data measurement *NO. REQ. TABLE. 5*

2. ENVIRONMENTAL DATA

1. A detailed topographic map of the area within 8 km (5 mi) of the site showing the locations of all

FIG. B1.2 a. Site boundaries

FIG B1.2 b. Lands owned, leased, or otherwise controlled (including mill site claims) by the applicant



*FIG B1-2* c. Lands privately owned

*FIG B1-2* d. Lands under the jurisdiction of the US Bureau of Land Management

? e. Lands otherwise publicly held

*No* f. Lands currently used for grazing, and those which could be used in the future

*No* g. Private residences or other structures used by the general public

*TABLE C4.5* h. Vegetable or other crops, identified by type

(*GNDP*) i. Private, public, and industrial water wells and natural springs

*TABLE C4.5* ~~h~~ j. Milk animals (cows or goats)

2. Regional data (within 80 km)

*FIG B1-4* a. Population distributions by direction (in each of the

*FIG B1-3* 16 compass points) and distance (0.5, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10,

(*1 YR ONLY*) 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, and 80 km) for a recent year (no earlier than 1970), for the last year of expected milling

*TABLE B1.3*

(approximate), and for the last year prior to completion of tailings area reclamation (approximate)

*TABLE C4.5* b. Available county food production data, in kg/yr, for vegetables (by type and totals) meat (all types), and milk, and any available future predictions by local governmental, industrial or institutional organizations.

## II. PREOPERATIONAL AND OPERATIONAL MONITORING PROGRAMS

*No* Monitoring programs should have been previously approved by the SFOS; a topographical map should be included which shows the site property boundaries and the locations of preoperational and operational radiological and meteorological monitoring stations

A. PREOPERATIONAL MONITORING PROGRAM

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1. Description of monitoring program using the format from Appendix B of the ULS's Uranium Licensing Application Handbook
2. Description of lower limits of detection for each analysis
3. Tabulation of data in form of annual averages using the format shown in Table 3 of NRC's Reg. Guide 4.14, Revision 1
4. Listing of raw data used to obtain annual averages

B. OPERATIONAL MONITORING PROGRAM

TABLE CB.1 1. Description of monitoring program using the format from Appendix B of the ULS's Uranium License Application Handbook

APPENDIX 2. Description of lower limits of detection for each analysis

FIG C4-3. 3. Tabulation of data in form of annual averages using the format shown in Table 3 of NRC's Reg. Guide 4.14, Division 1

TO BE MADE AVAILABLE 4. Listing of raw data used to obtain annual averages  
AT THE MILL OFFICE.

III. OCCUPATIONAL RADIOLOGICAL MONITORING PROGRAM

This program should conform to the "Plant Radiation Program"

Section of the ULS's Uranium License Application Handbook

TABLE CB.2 A. Summary description in tabular form of the monitoring program

ALSO APPENDIX D including personnel monitoring and bioassay

DATA TO B. Tabulation of Data, including

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AT MILL OFFICE  
(SEE CB.1)

1. Results broken down by work area, if possible
2. Bioassay results broken down into five categories depending on how many hours per week the worker spends in the yellow-cake area; 0-10 hours, 11-20 hours, 21-30 hours, 31-40 hours and more than 40 hours