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Dear Mr. Tiktinsky:

MONTHLY LETTER STATUS REPORTS - OCTOBER 1992 - NRC FIN L1375-1, L2093-1

Enclosed is the October 1992, Monthly Letter Status Report progress report for NRC FIN L1375-1, L2093-1 UMTRA Technical Support. In addition to your copy I have enclosed copies for Sandra Wastler, Mike Fliegel, Lateef Hamden, and one each for W. B. Brown and NRC Document Control.

If you have any questions, please contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Mark T. Murphy, Ph.D. Senior Research Scientist Geophysics Section GEOSCIENCES DEPARTMENT

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FIN - L1375/L2093

TECHNICAL SUPPORT TO THE DIVISION OF LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT - UMTRA

Mark T. Murphy (509) 376-8337 October 1992

OBJECTIVE

Provide LLWM staff with technical assistance in support of the Uranium Mill Tailings Remedial Action (UMTRA) Project. Work performed will assist the NRC in fulf'lling its responsibilities under the Uranium Mill Tailings Radiation Control Act 6: 1978, as amended. An additional objective of this project is to provide LLWM staff with technical support on reviews of operating Uranium recovery facilities (Title II) in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR Part 40.

TECHNICAL HIGHLIGHTS

Deliverables Submitted During Reporting Period

FEE RECOVERABLE - L2093 TASK 1 - Envirocare of Utah Environmental Impact Statement

No deliverable date occurred within the reporting period.

NON-FEE RECOVERABLE - L1375

TASK 2 - Belfield/Bowman Remedial Action Plan Task Complete TASK 3 - Ground Water Guidance Development

TASK 4 - Belfield/Bowman Follow-Up

No deliverable date occurred within the reporting period.

Work Performed During Reporting Period

FEE RECOVERABLE - L2093 TASK 1 - Envirocare of Utah Environmental Impact Statement On October 1, a meeting was held at NRC HQ in Rockville between NRC, Envirocare and PNL. The meeting revealed additional NRC concerns about the Envirocare Environmental Report (ER). The amended ER was promised to NRC and PNL in the October 31 time frame. Despite this, work was begun on the EIS by PNL that would cover the parts unaffected by the NRC concerns. A draft EIS outline was completed and portions of the affected environment section were begun. Additional work included project management cost and schedule control and routine project maintenance.

Work Performed During Reporting Period (continued)

NON-FEE RECOVERABLE - L1375

TASK 2 - Belfield/Bowman Remedial Action Plan

The scope of this task is complete. No new direction has been issued by NMSS.

No issues remain. Activities are limited to project management cost and schedule control, routine project maintenance and occasional discussions with NRC technical monitor.

TASK 3 - Ground Water Guidance Development
Task was initiated on October 1 following receipt of DOE work authorization. A project management plan was assembled using milestones and deliverables agreed to in the proposal. Work began on the preliminary review and work plan (element 010301) due in mid December. Contacts were made with members of the ASTM Working Group on Ground Water Investigation standards and members of the American Society of Civil Enginee: task committee on the verification and validation of ground water models and with investigators at several national consulting firms. Draft documents are being obtained from all of these sources. A data base is being developed to integrate existing PNL, USGS, EPA and other data collection manuals as a basis for the WA guidance document.

TASK 4 - Belfield/Bowman Follow-Up Additional work on this task is pending a response from DOE on the Belfield Bowman remedial efforts.

Meetings and Trips

See Work Performed under L2093 Task 1.

Schedule of Milestones and Deliverables

Title	Deliverable Type	Planned Finish	Revised Finish	Task Expiration	Status
FEE RECOVERABLE - L2093 TASK 1 - Environmental Impact Statement	Letter Report Letter Report		5/23/91 6/3/92	12/93	Completed
31.51.50	DEIS Draft DEIS Final FEIS Draft FEIS Final	To be dete To be dete To be dete	rmined		
HOW-FEE RECOVERABLE - L1375 TASK 2 - Belfield/Bowman Remedial Action Plan	Data Review	3/15/91			
	Final Report	3/29/91	4/18/91	12/93	Completed
TASK 3 - Ground Water Guidance Development	Data Review Initial Draft Review Draft Final Report	12/15/92 1/22/93 3/19/93 4/23/93		12/93	Active

Problem Areas and Pesolutions

FEE RECOVERABLE - L2093

TASK 1 - Envirocare of Utah Environmental Impact Statement The Envirocare ER is still not in its final form. Continued delays in this step have resulted in an unclear schedule for the EIS.

NON-FEE RECOVERABLE - L1375 TASK 2 - Belfield/Bowman Remedial Action Plan The scope of this task is complete. No issues remain. This task can be closed out.

TASK 3 - Groundwater Guidance Development The scope of this task is complete. No issues remain.

TASK 4 - Belfield/Bowman Follow-Up No issues at present.

Plans for the Next Reporting Period

FEE RECOVERABLE - L2093

TASK 1 - Envirocare of Utah Environmental Impact Statement PNL will continue to compose portions of the EIS that are not impacted by the remaining issues. PNL will review any changes requested by NRC in the ER and support the NRC actions in any way required.

NON-FEE RECOVERABLE - L1375 TASK 2 - Belfield/Bowman Remedial Action Plan The scope of this task is complete. No issues remain. Task can be closed out.

TASK 3 - Ground Water Guidance Development Draft guidelines will be obtained from the two working groups, the State of California, several consulting firms and other sources. These will be integrated with the USGS and PNL manuals to produce a complete review and description of existing industry standards on ground water QA and verification/validation.

Drs. Bergeron and Kincaid will examine on-going PNL efforts in ground water modeling verification and validation for applicability to NRC-UMTRA needs.

TASK 4 - Belfield/Bowman Follow-Up Work on this task will continue on a pace and schedule determined by licensee responses.

Financial Status

The cost and funding information reported on the Cost Status by Element Table include the necessary adjustments to account for the FY93 DOE Adder of 3.2 percent. This represents a change from the DOE Adder of 3.3 percent in FY92 which is reflected in the Cumulative to Date figures. All other cost information reflects only the PNL cost and do not include the DOE Adder.

Variance Explanation

None.

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NRC-UMTRA TECHNICAL SUPPORT NON FEE RECOVERABLE

Mark T. Murphy (509) 376-8337 October 1992

COST STATUS BY ELEMENT

				Current Month		iscal r to Dat	Cumulative To Date
1.	Direct Staff	f Labor Hour	s	18.5		18.5	1,052.9
11.	Direct Salar Materials an ADP Support Subcontracts Travel Indirect Lab Other General & Ad	nd Services s oor Cost	\$ e	566 0 0 0 0 573 182 385	\$	566 97 0 0 573 182 385	\$ 37,031 115 0 0 2,452 29,393 6,958 25,982
	Total PNL Co	sts	\$	1,706	\$	1,706	\$ 102,831
	Percent Sper	nt		1.2%		1.2%	42.5%
	Total Costs	to NRC der 3.2%, FY92:3	.3x) \$	1,761	\$	1,761	s <u>101,270</u>
11.	Overall Fund	ing Status					
	PNL Available (Ad)usted: Refle	le Funding S	tatus vitiated in	FY92)			
	Total FIN Funding	Prior FY Carryover	FY93 Proj		FY93 Fo		FY93 Funding Balance Needed
	\$ 238,412	\$137,287	\$ 137,287	,	\$ -0-		\$ -0-
	NRC Funding	Provided to	DOE				
	Total FIN Funding	Prior FY Carryover	FY93 Pro		FY93 F		FY93 Funding Balance Needed
	\$ 243,200	\$ 141,817	\$ 141,811	,	\$ -0-		\$ -0-

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IV. Task Assignment Funding Status

Task Number and Title	Cost Ceiling ¹	Current Month Costs	Fy Costs To Date	Cumulative Costs to Date
TASK 2 - Belfield/Bowman Remedial Action Plan	\$104.6	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 90.2
TASK 3 - Groundwater Guidance Development	\$ 83.4	\$ 1.3	\$ 1.3	\$ 6.5
TASK 4 - Belfield/Bowman Follow-Up	\$ 50.3	\$.4	\$.4	s 6.1

¹ Net of DOE added factor.

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NRC-UMTRA TECHNICAL SUPPORT FEE RECOVERABLE

Mark T. Murph, (509) 376-8337 October 1992

COST STATUS BY ELEMENT

OLTER MAN			Current Month	Fiscal Year to Dat	Cumulative te To Date
1.	Direct Staf	f Labor Hour	s 158.0	158.0	2,351.8
11.	Direct Sala Materials a ADP Support Subcontract Travel Indirect La Other General & A	nd Services s	\$4,683 0 0 0 952 4,871 670 3,547	\$ 4,683 0 0 0 952 4,871 670 3,547	\$71,650 219 0 0 6,833 70,859 11,129 51,936
	Total PNL C	osts	\$ 14,723	\$ 14,723	\$212,628
	Percent Spe	nt	8.5%	8.5%	59.2%
	Total Costs	to NRC sder 3.2%, 3.3% F	\$15,194	\$ 15,194	\$219,630
Π.	Overall Fund PNL Availab (Adjusted: Refle	ding Status le Funding S	tatus itiared in FY92)		
	Total FIN Funding	Prior FY Carryover	FY93 Projected Funding Level	FY93 Funds Received to Date	FY93 Funding Balance Needed
	\$ 370,764	\$ 172,860	\$ 172,860	\$ -0-	s -0-
	NRC Funding	Provided to	DOE		
	Total FIN Funding	Prior FY Carryover	FY93 Projected Funding Level	FY93 Funds Received to Date	FY93 Funding Briance Heeded
	\$ 383,000	\$ 178,564	\$ 178,564	\$ -0-	\$ -0-

IV. Task Assignment Funding Status

Task Number	Cost Ceiling ¹	Current Month Costs	FY Costs To Date	Cumulative Costs to Date
TASK 1 - Envirocare of Utah Environment Impact Statement		\$ 14.7	\$ 14.7	\$ 212.6

Net of DOE added factor.

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NRC-UMTRA TECHNICAL SUPPORT

Mark T. Murphy (509) 376-8337 October 1992

FEE RECOVERY COST STATUS

Report Yitle Envirocare of Utsh Environmental Impact Statement	Insp. Report or TAC Number	Total for Period	for Period Plus		Cumulative Costs Plus DOE Adder	
		\$ 14,723	\$ 15,194	s 14,723	\$ 15,194	

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TECHNICAL SUPPORT TO THE DIVISION OF LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT - UMTRA

Mark T. Murphy (509) 376-8337 December 1992

OBJECTIVE

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TECHNICAL HIGHLIGHTS

Work Performed During Reporting Period

FEE RECOVERABLE - L2093

TASK 1 - Envirocare of Utah Environmental Impact Statement
The text of the draft EIS was completed on December 13 and a discussion draft was forwarded to S. Wastler for review and comments. Peer review began soon thereafter. In the review, significant problems were uncovered with the radiological analysis. This discovery, coupled with the criticisms by NRC of the ER, required that additional calculations, analysis and editing be completed prior to submission of the formal draft. A project change request was issued to NRC on December 29 to solicit additional time to complete this effort. Other efforts included routine project management, schedule and cost control, and issue resolution.

NON-FEE RECOVERABLE - L1375

TASK 2 - Belfield/Bowman Remedial Action Plan
The scope of this task is complete. No new direction has been issued by NMSS.
No issues remain. Activities are limited to project management cost and schedule control, routine project maintenance and occasional discussions with NRC technical monitor.

TASK 3 - Ground Water Guidance Development
On December 11, Mark T. Murphy attended the ASCE Ground Water Modeling Validation and Verification planning meeting at Bechtel, Inc. headquarters in San Francisco, California. Dr. Murphy also attended several technical sessions of the American Geophysical Union-Hydrology Section held the same week in San Francisco. The

TECHNICAL HIGHLIGHTS (cont'd)

TASK 3 (cont'd) work plan for the guidance document was submitted to NRC on December 15. The plan outlined the general breadth and philosophy of the investigation and presented the specific topics to be considered. Further work on this task awaits the approval/revisions of the NRC.

TASK 4 - Belfield/Bowman Follow-Up Additional work on this task is pending a response from DOE on the Belfield Bowman remedial efforts.

Meetings and Trips

See Task 3, "Work Performed During Reporting Period."

Schedule of Milestones and Deliverables

Title	Deliverable Type	Planned Finish	Revised Finish	Task Expiration	Status
FEE RECOVERABLE - L2093					
TASK 1 - Envirocare of Utah Environmental Impact Statement	Letter Report Letter Report	5/23/91 6/3/92	5/23/91 6/3/92	12/92	Completed Completed
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NOW-FEE RECOVERABLE - L1375					
TASK 2 - Belfield/Bowman	Data Review	3/15/91			
Remedial Action Plan	Final Report	3/29/91	4/18/91	12/92	Completed
TASK 3 - Ground Water Guidance Development	Work Plan Initial Draft Review Draft Final Report	12/15/92 1/22/93 3/19/93 4/23/93		12/92	Completed Active

PROBLEM AREAS

FEE RECOVERABLE - L2093

TASK 1 - Envirocare of Utah Environmental Impact Statement
The draft EIS is essentially complete pending resolution of the problems with the dose calculations. This work poses no obvious technical problem and is expected to be complete within the additional ten days requested in the PCR.

NON-FEE RECOVERABLE - L1375

TASK 2 - Belfield/Bowman Remedial Action Plan
The scope of this task is complete. No issues remain. This task can be closed out.

PLANS FOR THE NEXT REPORTING PERIOD

FEE RECOVERABLE - L2093

TASK 1 - Envirocare of Utah Environmental Impact Statement
We expect the technical revisions to the DEIS will be completed and the draft EIS
will be complete by January 10. At that point, we will wait for final review by the
NRC. If all comments are received before the end of the month, we will begin work
on the next milestone, submission of the final DEIS for NRC release.

NON-FEE RECOVERABLE - L1375

TASK 2 - Belfield/Bowman Remedial Action Plan
The scope of this task is complete. No issues remain. Task can be closed out.

TASK 3 - Ground Water Guidance Development
When comments and approval to proceed are received, work will begin on the text of
the draft guidance document.

TASK 4 - Belfield/Bowman Follow-Up Work on this task will continue on a pace and schedule determined by licensee responses.

FINANCIAL STATUS

The cost and formation reported on the Cost Status by Element Table include the necessary adjustments to account for the FY93 DOE Adder of 3.2 percent. This represents a change from the DOE Adder of 3.3 percent in FY92, which is reflected in the Cumulative to Date figures. All other cost information reflects only the PNL cost and does not include the DOE Adder.

VARIANCE EXPLANATION

FEE RECOVERABLE - L2093

Project is level of planned effort. See 'Technical Highlights,' Work Performed During Reporting Period. Due to significant problems uncovered in the review of the draft EIS, additional work was required prior to submission of the formal draft. This trend is expected to continue through January. Work should return to a normal level after the January time period.

NON-FEE RECOVERABLE - L1375
Project is level of planned effort. Work on Task 4 is on hold pending repsponse from DOE. See 'Technical Highlights,' Work Performed During Reporting Period.

PROJECT SUMMARY REPORT 3. REPORTING PERIOD 2. PROGRAMP TOJECT TITLE: 1. ID (CONTRACT) NUMBER: TECHNICAL SUPPORT TO THE DIVISION OF LOW-LEVEL DECEMBER, 1992 DE-AC06-76RL0 1830 RADIOA TIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT - UMTRA 5. START DATE 4. CLIENT NAME AND ADDRESS 44 PARTICIPANT NAME AND ADDRESS SEPTEMBER 1, 1991 PACIFIC NORTHWEST LABORATORY MACANESS 6. COMPLETION DATE P.O. BOX 999 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555 **DECEMBER 31, 1993** RICHLAND, WA 99352 B. MONTHS 7. FY 93 **FY94** n 0 9. COST STATUS A SEXPRESSED N THOUSANDS 225 B. BUDGET & REPORTED NO GUB ACCT NO PROJECT# 17993 DOE YOU 3087 C. FIN NO. L1375 D. ACTUAL COSTS PRIOR YEARS 101.1 100 E. FY BUDGET 137.7 76 F. TOTAL BUDGET 238 4 G. FY FUNDS AUTH. 137.7 H TOTAL FUNDS AUTH. 238.9 0.2 0.2 51.5 0.2 0.2 0.2 I. PLANNED 11.7 12.2 12.2 12.2 12.2 12.2 12.1 J. ACTUAL 1.7 10.7 6.2 6.0 K. VARIANCE 2.1 10.0 COSTS 85.8 137.3 85.4 85.6 48.3 60.5 72.7 84.8 85.0 85.2 L. CUM PLANNED 23.9 36.1 11.7 M. CUM ACTUAL 1.7 12.4 18.6 11.5 17.5 N. CUM VARIANCE 10.0 90% FUNDS SPENT PROJECTED FUNDS AUTH. 10. LEGEND: PLANNED ACTUAL .. FY94 8 11. MILESTONES: 0 N D TASK 2 - BELFIELD/BOWMAN REMIDIAL ACTION PLAN - NO MILESTONES DEFINED @ THIS TIME TASK 3 - GROUNDWATER GUIDANCE DEVELOPMENT - PRELIMINARY REVIEW + WORK PLAN PREPARE INITIAL DRAFT - PREPARE REVIEW DRAFT - PREPARE FINAL DOCUMENT TASK 4 - BELFIELD/BOWMAN FOLLOW-UP . NO MILESTONES DEFINED @ THIS TIME TIME LINE TIME NOW LEGEND: SCHEDULED PROGRESS LINE M DEVIATION <> COMPLETED A 12. NAME/SIGNATURE OF PARTICIPANTS PROG/PROJ MANAGER & DATE M.T. MURPHY (509) 376-8337

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NRC-UMTRA TECHNICAL SUPPORT FEE RECOVERABLE

Mark T. Murphy (509) 376-8337 December 1992

COST STATUS BY ELEMENT

		Current Month	Fiscal Year to Date	Cumulative To Date
Ι.	Direct Staff Labor Hours (hrs of charged effort)	300.9	691.9	2,885.7
11.	Direct Salaries Materials and Services ADP Support Subcontracts Travel Indirect Labor Cost Other General & Admin. Expense	\$10,155 11 0 0 1,526 8,639 1,351 6,877	\$22,041 211 0 0 3,157 20,630 3,159 15,544	\$ 89,008 430 0 9,038 86,619 13,524 64,028
	Total PNL Costs	\$28,559	\$64,742	\$262,647
	Percent Spent		37.4%	70.8%
	Total Costs to NRC* (Includes DOE Adder)	\$29,473	\$71,084	\$271,109
III.	Overall Funding Status			

PNL Available Funding Status (Adjusted: Reflects DOE Adder Initiated in FY92)

Total FIN Funding	Prior FY Carryover	FY93 Projected Funding Level	FY93 Funds Received to Date	FY93 Funding Balance Needed	
\$ 370,942	\$ 172,860	\$ 173,036	\$ 176	\$ -0-	
NRC Funding	Provided to	DOE			
Total FIN Funding	Prior FY Carryover	FY93 Projected Funding Level	FY93 Funds Received to Date	FY93 Funding Balance Needed	
\$ 383,000	\$ 182,975	\$ 182,975	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	

^{*} Total Cost to NRC for FYTD 93 will include \$4,669.92 rebilled costs from March 1992 that were previously disapproved per NRC OPAC Chargeback Statement, ALC Number 89-00-2901 of July 24, 1992.

IV. Task Assignment Funding Status

Task Number and Title	Cost Ceiling ¹	Current Month Costs	FY Costs To Date	Cumulative Costs to Date
TASK 1 - Envirocare of Utah Environment Impact Statement		\$ 28.6	\$ 64.7	\$ 262.6

¹ Net of DOE added factor.

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NRC-UMTRA TECHNICAL SUPPORT FEE RECOVERABLE

Mark T. Murph; (509) 376-8337 December 1992

FEE RECOVERY COST STATUS

Report Title	insp. Report or TAC Number	Total for Period	Total for Period Plus DOE Adder	Cumulative Costs To Date	Cumulative Costs Plus DOE Adder
Envirocare of Utah Environmental Impact Statement		\$ 28,559	¥ 29,473	\$ 64,742	\$66,814
Rebilled Costs					4,270
(March 1992)					\$71,084