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MONUMENT URANIUM IN SITU LEACH
PILOT PROJECT. WITHDRAWAL
OF DISCHARGE PLAN AND PLUGGING
OF WELLFIELD

Dear Mr. Lambert:

Mobil has decided to not pursue any uranium ISL tests on the Monument Project located near the town of Crownpoint, McKinley county, New Mexico. Mobil's plan is to plug and abandon the well field and remove the surface processing facilities.

Mobil requests your office to withdraw the Monument Discharge Plan, DP137. Procedures for plugging and abandoning the well field are attached.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please call me at (303) 293-6300.

Very truly yours,

J.F. Cullen
Manager, Technical Services

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cc: John Andrews
United States Bureau of Land Management

Gary Konwinski
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission

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PLUG AND ABANDON PROCEDURES MOBIL'S MONUMENT SECTION 28 URANIUM ISL PROJECT, MCKINLEY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Dear Mr. Wohlenberg:

It has recently been decided Mobil will not pursue uranium in situ leach testing at the Monument Section 28 Project, near the town of Crowmpoint, McKinley County, New Mexico. Mobil proposes to plug and abandon the wells that were to be used in the ISL test.

There are twenty one cased wells at Monument. Nineteen are perforated in the Westwater Canyon ore horizon with TD's ranging from 2050 to 2109 feet and the other two are Dakota monitors with TD's of 1630 and 1700 feet. No leaching fluids were ever introduced into these wells. Details of the wells can be found on the accompanying table, and a map showing the location of the wells is attached. One well, a Dakota monitor, will be offered, with your concurrence, to the Navajo Nation for use as a water well.

Mobil proposes to plug and abandon these wells as described below:

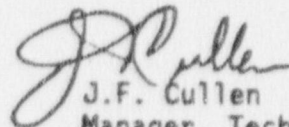
1. Determine TD of the well using wireline methods.
2. Install tubing in the well to a point several feet above TD.
3. Pump, in three stages, neat cement slurry of not less than 15 lbs. per gallon weight filling the entire well from TD to surface.
4. Cut the casing off at a point three feet below the surface and backfill the pit with soil.
5. Clean up, recontouring, and reseeding of the well site.

With your concurrence, Mobil plans to implement this plugging program during the 2nd half of September. The program is expected to take 2 to 3 weeks to complete.

Charles A. Wohlenberg
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If you have any questions regarding this matter, please call G.J. Lyons at
(303) 293-6452.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "J.F. Cullen". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

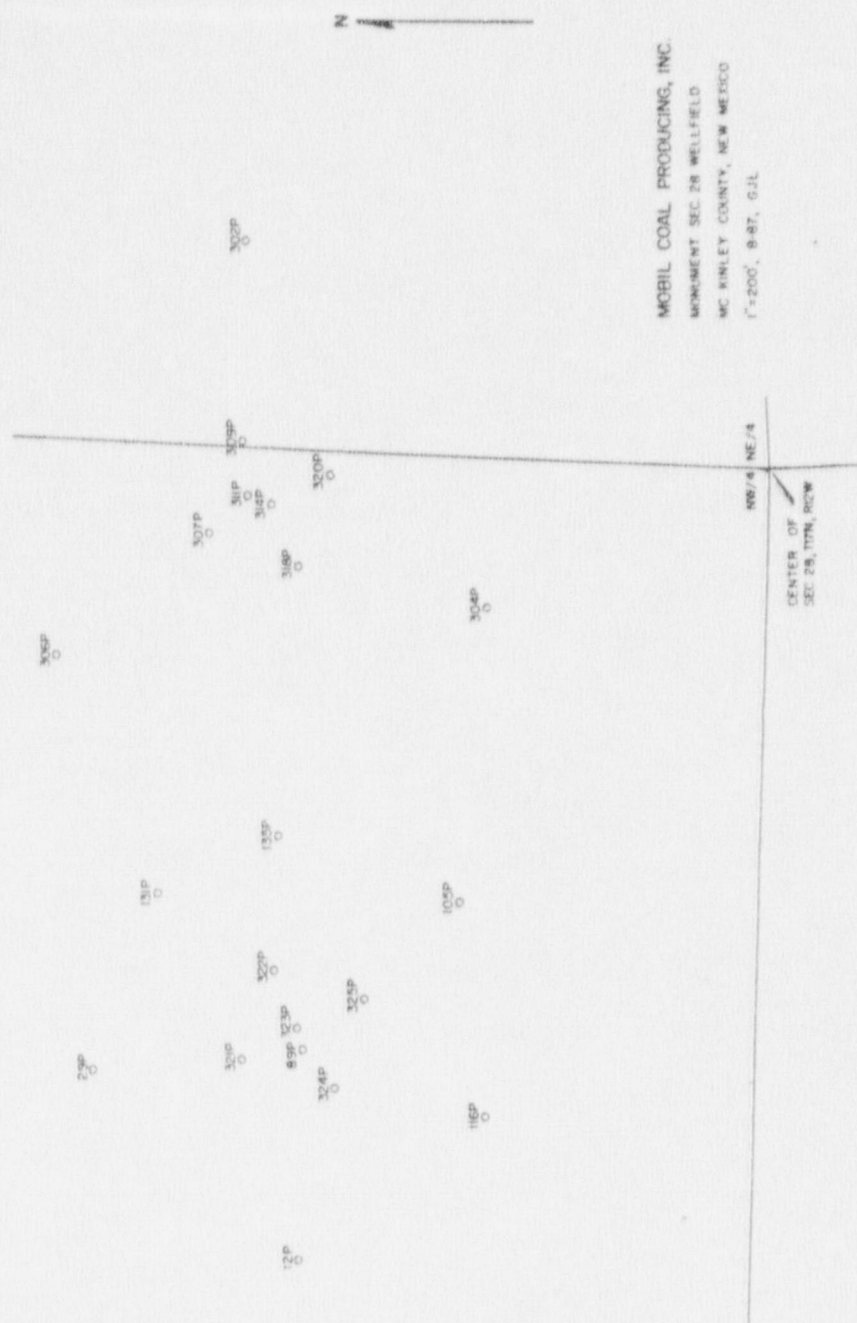
J.F. Cullen
Manager, Technical Services

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MONUMENT SECTION 28

WELLS TO BE PLUGGED AND ABANDONED

<u>WELL #</u>	<u>CASING DIA. AND WEIGHT LBS/FT</u>	<u>REPORTED TD-FT.</u>
17-12-28U302P	5 1/2" 14#	2053
304P	5 1/2" 14#	2050
306P	5 1/2" 14#	2060
307P	5 1/2" 14#	2050
309P	5 1/2" 14#	2050
311P	5 1/2" 14#	1630
314P	5 1/2" 14#	2050
318P	5 1/2" 14#	2056
320P	7" 17#	2050
321P	5 1/2" 14#	2051
322P	5 1/2" 14#	2067
323P	7" 17#	2098
324P	5 1/2" 14#	2108
325P	5 1/2" 14#	2076
12P	4 1/2" 9.5#	2104
29P	4 1/2" 9.5#	2059
89P	4 1/2" 9.5#	1700
105P	4 1/2" 9.5#	2109
116P	4 1/2" 9.5#	2067
131P	4 1/2" 9.5#	2059
135P	4 1/2" 9.5#	2059



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MONUMENT SEC 28 WELLSFIELD

MC KINLEY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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