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Thomas E. Baca Director NM Environmental Improvement Division P. O. Box 968 Santa Fe, NM 87503

Dear Mr. Baca:

During discussions related to United Nuclear Corporation's show of "good cause", which was in support of the requested extension of the discharge plan to November 30, 1980, it was my impression that the Environmental Improvement Division would extend United Nuclear Corporation's right to discharge while the discharge plan data was being evaluated.

In order to clarify this point, also so that milling operations may continue without interruption, we request that United Nuclear Corporation be authorized to continue to discharge to the central tailings area during the Environmental Improvement Division evaluation and subsequent responses necessary in satisfying questions raised in developing an acceptable discharge plan.

Your affirmative response to this request is very much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Thomas M. Hill

Director, Tailings Management

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