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SUBJECT: POWERTECH (USA), INC. - DEWEY BURDOCK FACILITY
STATUS CY 2022

In August 2018, Region IV staff performed a self-assessment of the Region IV uranium recovery inspection program. During the self-assessment, it was identified that no documentation had been generated by Region IV inspectors explaining the rationale for not performing inspections at Dewey Burdock after the NRC license for uranium operations had been issued on April 24, 2014 (ADAMS Accession Number ML14043A392). As a result of the self-assessment, a corrective action was initiated to contact the licensee and confirm Region IV's understanding that no construction activities, pre-operational activities, or NRC-licensed activities had occurred since the license was issued.

The Material Licensing and Decommissioning Branch annually contacts the licensee and reviews site status with the licensee and the NRC Project Manager. To plan for the 2021-2022 inspection years, NRC staff recently contacted the licensee. The licensee confirmed via email dated May 28, 2021 (ADAMS ML21152A223), that no activities have occurred since April 24, 2014, when the license was issued. However, the licensee did indicate that they are planning to initiate preconstruction and construction activities in calendar year 2022 (CY2022). Based on this information, the licensee has been identified as a site which may require inspection effort in CY2022.

The site will be included in the Master Inspection Plan as a reminder to periodically check-in with the licensee and document these communications to ensure that inspections are conducted as needed during the preconstruction and construction phases. Inspections of the site will be initiated with the agreement of the NRC Project Manager.

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