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Steve -

I reviewed the qualifications of the radiation safety officer at the COGEMA Mining, Inc. in situ leach facility. This review included an evaluation using the review procedures in standard review plan Section 5.4.2 and the acceptance criteria outlines in standard review plan Section 5.4.3.

The applicant provided information showing that the RSO selected at COGEMA Mining, Inc. has successfully completed four nationally recognized RSO-related training courses. The applicant did not provide a resume, or details of the RSO's general academic education. However, based on the information that the RSO is an EMT, and a certified MSHA instructor; the individual should have an extensive background of technical education.

Based on the information provided by the applicant, the qualifications of personnel conducting the radiation safety program are acceptable and consistent with NRC Regulatory Guide 8.31 (NRC, 2002).

- Julia

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