



POWERTECH (USA) INC.

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Vice President – Environmental
Health & Safety Resources

June 8, 2012

Mr. Eric Gronlund
Water Rights Program
South Dakota Department of Environment & Natural Resources
523 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501-3182

Re: Dewey-Burdock Project; Application for Permit to Appropriate Water from the Madison Aquifer

Dear Mr. Gronlund:

By this letter, Powertech (USA) Inc. submits this application to the South Dakota Department of Environment & Natural Resources requesting appropriation of water from the Madison aquifer to be used for the Dewey-Burdock Project, a proposed uranium *in situ* recovery (ISR) project to be located in Custer and Fall River counties, South Dakota.

Enclosed please find the following:

- Two signed and notarized copies of the permit application form
- Two bound copies of a report accompanying the permit application
- Two CDs containing electronic copies of the permit application form and accompanying report
- A check for the permit application filing fee of \$1,550.00

The primary Powertech (USA) Inc. contacts include Richard Blubaugh, Vice President - Environmental Health & Safety Resources, (605) 790-7528; John Mays, Vice President - Engineering, (605) 790-7528; and Mark Hollenbeck, Project Manager, (605) 662-8308.

Permit coordination and development has been conducted by WWC Engineering of Sheridan, Wyoming. WWC will be the primary point of contact for responding to completeness and technical questions during the review process. The project manager for WWC Engineering is Mr. Jack Fritz, (307) 672-0761 ext. 129.

Powertech (USA) Inc. appreciates the opportunity to submit this permit application and looks forward to working with DENR staff in the near future. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at your convenience. Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Blubaugh
Vice President - Environmental Health & Safety Resources

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cc: Mark Hollenbeck, Project Manager, Powertech (USA) Inc., P.O. Box 812, Edgemont, SD 57735
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