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TO: Annette L. Vietti-Cook, Secretary  
Office of the Secretary of the Commission

FROM: Peter Bloch, Administrative Judge  
Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel

SUBJECT: PETITION INTERFAITH STEWARDS OF CREATION

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I received the attached petition on October 12, 1999. Please include it in the record of the Hydro Resources Case. The Petition arises from deeply held moral, spiritual and political views that exceed my jurisdiction, as I am bound by the rules and regulations. Please consider referring this to people in the Commission who are responsible for rulemaking or for the Commission's legislative agenda.

cc: Interfaith Stewards of Creation  
P.O. Box 3682  
Gallup, New Mexico 87305

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## INTERFAITH STEWARDS OF CREATION

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### PETITION

As people of Faith, we view the Universe as an ongoing self-revelation of the Creator, sacred because of the Divine Presence. It is God Who first shaped the cosmos and enabled all forms of life to emerge. Humankind, created in the image and likeness of God, is entrusted with a sacred vocation to participate in ongoing Creation, reflecting God's love for the Earth and ensuring the continuation of nature for present and future generations as God intended.

With this sacred view of the Earth and of the Universe, we strive to live out our covenant relationship with our Creator by being responsible stewards and caretakers of Earth, its living and natural resources.

It is from deeply held religious beliefs that we raise our voices in protest of Hydro Resources, Inc.'s proposed in-situ leach uranium mining projects at Church Rock and Crownpoint, New Mexico, which invade and irreversibly contaminate the only pristine water reserves and aquifer on which over 50,000 people and local communities of this region are completely dependent.

We are alarmed at the absence of any discussion or recognition by state and federal government representatives or corporation executives of any serious moral, ethical and environmental justice issues surrounding the proposed uranium mining projects. Economic and political arguments in support of such uranium mining pale into utter insignificance in the face of wide-scale irreversible contamination and environmental destruction that will adversely impact all human, animal and plant life for thousands of years to come. An aquifer is gone for 10,000 years once humans change it into poison. There is no technology that can fix it! Human, animal and plant DNA are loaded with intelligence and information. Toxic chemicals and radiation go to the center of the cell to the DNA and disrupt it forever. We know this is linked to increases in birth defects, mental retardation, miscarriages and multiple strains of cancer that appear from exposure to radiation. (See Brian Swimme, Ph.D., Physicist and Thomas Berry, Ph.D., The Universe Story (San Francisco: Harper & Row, 1992); Edward Goldsmith et al., The Earth Report: The Essential Guide to Global Ecological Issues, (London: Mitchell Beazley Publishers, 1988); Samuel S. Epstein et al., Hazardous Waste in America: Our Number One Environmental Crisis, (San Francisco: Sierra Club, 1983); Paul Ehrlich and Anne Ehrlich, Extinction: Causes and Consequences of Disappearances of Species, (New York: Random House, 1981).

As Interfaith Stewards of Creation, our Faith compels us to voice strong opposition to HRI's proposed uranium mining projects at Church Rock and Crownpoint, NM. We urge you to incorporate President Clinton's **Executive Order 12898** on Environmental Justice into the ASLB proceedings, thereby fulfilling the Trust Responsibility of the U.S. Government (via the **Treaty of 1868**) to the Navajo Nation.

We invoke our inalienable human rights and submit this Petition on behalf of present and future generations so that we will not be forced:

- to drink water that has been contaminated by Thorium-230, Radium-226, Arsenic, Molybdenum, Selenium, Strontium, and other heavy metals;
- to breathe air that has Radon gas and other toxic emissions;
- to live on land that has been poisoned for thousands of years;

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Date</u>
ERIC JANTZ	PO Box 1140, Crownpoint, NM 87313	8/20/99
St. Donna Marie Evans, OSF	P.O. Box 39 Tolatchi, N.M. 87325	20 Aug '99
Marie A. Bennett	P.O. Box 1902, Crownpoint, NM 87313	8/20/99
Lawrence John	P.O. Box 1862, Crownpoint, NM 87313	8/20/99
Ken Glan	PO Box 4144 Alb., NM 87196	9/6/99
David Gilroy	1801 Las Lomas Ave NE, 87106	9/6/99
Margaret A. Atkinson	3610 Valhalla Way Glendale CA 91208	9/6/99
MARY DENEVAN	4020 NE PORTLAND BLVD. PORT. OR 97211	9/7/99
Stanley + Jones		

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Marilyn Ingraham	Brooklyn N.Y. 155 Johnson Ave	5/22/99
Mary Bruce Kringer	88 Loring Ave.	5/22/99
Eileen Brady	88 Loring Ave.	5/22/99
Kitty Gorden	45 B Gail Drive - N.Y.	5/27/99
Molly Mertens	614 Villa Montea Ave. Monterey Park CA 91754	9/04/99
Paul T. Ford	7324 ARANISTAD EL PASO TX 79912	~
Anita Ochauer	9506 Beals Dr El Paso TX 79924	9/04/99
Kathleen Phillips-Schaefer	1387 Snow Rd Las Cruces, NM 88005	9/5/99
Jeffrey Colledge	1102 Barcelas SW Alb, NM 87102	9/5/99
Karen Orin	10959 Rhode Island S. Bloomington, MN	9/5/99

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<u>Eleanor Mercedes Martin</u>	<u>340 Norumbega Dr. Monrovia, CA</u>	<u>6-7-99</u>
<u>Kathryn Therese Shannon</u>	<u>340 Norumbega Dr. Monrovia<sup>CA</sup></u>	<u>6-7-99</u>
<u>Nancia R. St. Pierre</u>	<u>340 Norumbega Dr. Monrovia, CA 91016</u>	<u>6-7-99</u>
<u>Sr. Gemma Marie Berger</u>	<u>340 Norumbega Dr. Monrovia, CA 91016</u>	<u>6-7-99</u>
<u>Margaret M. Kelleher</u>	<u>340 Norumbega Dr. Monrovia, CA</u>	<u>6-7-99</u>
<u>Janet M. Cunnell</u>	<u>340 Norumbega Dr. Monrovia, CA</u>	<u>6-7-99</u>
<u>Patricia Hefey</u>	<u>340 Norumbega Dr. Monrovia, CA</u>	<u>6-7-99</u>
<u>Catherine Sullivan</u>	<u>340 Norumbega Dr. Monrovia, CA</u>	<u>6-10-99</u>
<u>Thecla Jucunda</u>	<u>340 Norumbega Dr. Monrovia, CA</u>	<u>6-8-99</u>
<u>Celia T. Burton</u>	<u>340 Norumbega Dr. Monrovia</u>	<u>6-8-99</u>
<u>Ruth Evans</u>	<u>340 Norumbega Dr. Monrovia</u>	<u>6-8-99</u>
<u>Kathleen M. Beyer</u>	<u>340 Norumbega Monrovia</u>	<u>6-8-99</u>

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ALAN MOORE	1563 Solano Ave. #477	6-13-99
Butterfly Gardeners Assoc.	Berkeley Ca 94707	6-13-99
Rosabud Berger	8417 Peratta Ave Berkeley, Ca 94707	6-13-99
Dana Parana	7024 929 Winslow, Az 86047	6/13/99
Heiny Castata	Rt 2 Box 19-v Immokalee FL 34142	6/13/99
Alene May	Rt 2 Box 19-S Immokalee FL 34142	6/13/99
Riana Castata	Rt 2 Box 19-v Immokalee FL 34142	6/13/99
Jim Brown	1419 Macbeth St L.A. Ca 90026	6/13/99
Ryan Straton	1563 Solano Ave. #477 Berkeley, CA 94707	6-13-99
Marion Bahe	7102 CPL Teesto - Winslow, Az 86047	6-13-99

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Alice Thorne	PO Box 7102 <sup>cpu</sup> Winslow, AZ 86047	6-13-99
Marion B. Thorne	PO Box 7102 <sup>cpu</sup> Winslow, AZ 86047	6-13-99
Joanne Farman	7115 Hwy 518 Ranchos de Taos	8/8/99
Bruce Magon	PO Box 90083 Guille, <sup>NM</sup> FL 32607	8/8/99
Mary Beth Sullivan	923-A NE 3 AVE GAINESVILLE FL 32601	8/8/99
Ross Goldberg	411 Cortelyou Rd, Brooklyn, N.Y.	8/8/99
Emil Skow	2203 Twisted Timber Rd, <sup>RR</sup> NM	8/8/99
Ann Nelson	903 W College Ave, Normal IL 61761	8/8/99
Kristine Cheatum	530 E 61 St. Kansas <sup>64110</sup> City Mo	8-8-99
Lynn M. Cheatum	520 E. 61st St. Kansas <sup>64110</sup> City Mo	8-8-99

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Peter E Swords	144 Kensington Pl Syracuse NY 13210	8-8-99
Raine R. Swords	144 Kensington Pl. Syracuse, NY 13210	8-8-99
Shelley Cantue	400 Scott Ave. Syr., N.Y. 13224	8-8-99
Sidney K Randall	439 W. 116 <sup>th</sup> Way, Northglenn, CO 80234	8-8-99
Kathy Randall	3125 Quebec Pl Washington DC 20008	8-8-99
Cecilia Montana	930 South Poyi Las Vegas N. Mex 8770	
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Kevin J Kintner	2708 W Belmont, Chicago, IL 60618	7-9-99

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Floy Barnett	316 Washington N.E. Albuquerque N.M. 87108	8/9/99
Sue Chavez	1208 Western Miles A16 NIM 87114	8/9/99
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Dania Dandashly	6200 Fulbright NE #328 Abq NM 87111	8/9/99
Dania Hase	7309 Heymarket Ln - Del. NE-27615	8/9/99
Michael Marciano	405 Monte Alto Pl All NM 87123	8/9/99
Doris Appleton	2154 W. Commerce St. Albuquerque NM 87130	8/9/99
Bred van Biele	372 W. Bennett, Ferndale MI 48220	9-Aug-99
Alie Dinter	37232 Drexel Oaks Ct. Clinton Twp MI 48036	8-9-99

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Tracy Maavero	270 Devoe St, Brooklyn, NY 11211	8/8/99
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Massimo J. J. J. J.	44 Caprice Dr. Stamford CT 06902	8/9/99
Madeline Virella	12 Carroll Pl. Totowa NJ 07512	8/9/99
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Cheryl West	1621 W. Oak #205B, Denton, TX 76201	8/9/99
Ryan D. Buck	1111 Eagle #12 Denton TX 76201	8/9/99
Lindsey Larkin	1684 Black Maple, Roch. Hills, MI 48309	8/9/99
Trise Maly	1090 Eddy St. #105, San Francisco CA 94109	8/9/99
Kathy Kottenburg Astor	43 Harvard St, Montclair, NJ 07042	8/9/99
Cindy Blo	1922 A 36th Ave, Oakland, CA 94607	8/9/99
Fernando Kallio	1813 S. Crescent Ave, IL 60062	8/9/99
Richard Salvador R	2424 MAILE WAY, #640 HONOLULU, HAWAII 96822	8/9/99

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