

March 11, 2013

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Attn: Document Control Desk  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Mr. Drew Persinko, Deputy Director  
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**Subject: License SUA-1341, Docket No. 40-8502  
Willow Creek Project  
February 11, 2013  
7I-30 Injection Well Release  
Christensen Ranch Mine Unit 7**

Dear Mr. Persinko:

In accordance with License Conditions 12.2 and 9.2 of the referenced license, this correspondence serves as the written notification for a release of ISR injection fluid at the Mine Unit 7 wellfield area at Willow Creek (Christensen Ranch) located in Campbell County. The spill occurred on February 11, 2013. This area is entirely within the fenced MU-7 Controlled Area. The release was reported via email to the NRC Project Manager, Region IV personnel and WDEQ on February 12, 2013.

The details of the spill are included on the attached Spill Report Summary along with a map of the location. Note that there were no significant impacts to the public, environment, wildlife or livestock.

Please contact me should you have any questions regarding this report.

Sincerely,



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Manager Site SHE

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cc: Bill Kearney  
Larry Arbogast  
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Rick Kukura  
NRC File; Spill Reports

**Uranium One USA, Inc. - Willow Creek Project**  
**Spill Report Summary**  
**Mine Unit 7 ISR Injection Fluid Release**

**Date and Estimated Time (beginning & end)**

From: February 11, 2013 (12:00 am)

To: February 11, 2013 (03:30 pm)

**Location**

Christensen Ranch Mine Unit 7

Injection Well 7I-30

Module 7-3

Section 9, Township 44N, Range 76W

Campbell County, Wyoming

(see attached map for detailed location)

**Spill Type**

ISR injection fluid

**Estimated Volume Released**

Spilled: Approximately 2,100 gallons of ISR injection fluid was released from Injection Well 7I-30 when a glue joint associated with a 5" pvc coupler and the 5" pvc well casing failed. The injection well is located in a flat area and the fluid spread approximately 400 feet in a small dry draw located in the Mine Unit 7-3 Wellfield. The failed joint was located at ground level just beneath the well box. The affected area is located entirely within the fenced Controlled Area.

**Estimated Volume Recovered**

All of the released fluid quickly soaked into the dry soil, so it was not possible to recover any of it.

**Spill Analysis Results**

A small volume of the released fluid was obtained on February 11, 2013 and submitted to the Willow Creek on site lab for analysis. The results were as follows:

Uranium        0.8 ppm

**Impacts**

The release followed site drainage and remained within the fenced MU-7 Controlled Area. It is estimated that 7,000 square feet (0.14 acre) of soil was impacted. No wildlife or livestock were affected. No significant erosion resulted from the spill, as it all soaked into the ground.

**Soil Surveys & Analysis Results**

Due to the limited extent of the release and that it occurred inside the fenced wellfield area, no soil samples were obtained for analysis.

**Remediation Actions**

Due to the limited extent of the release, no remediation is anticipated at this time.

**Explanation of the Root Cause**

A 5" pvc well casing extension connected by a 5" pvc coupler failed at the glue joint on Injection Well 7I-30, which was located just below ground level.

**Corrective Actions**

The well was immediately shut off and repaired.

**Agency Reporting**

WDEQ: Mike Ploughe - Permit Coordinator; February 12, 2013 (e-mail)  
Joe Hunter – Spill Coordinator; February 12, 2013 (e-mail)

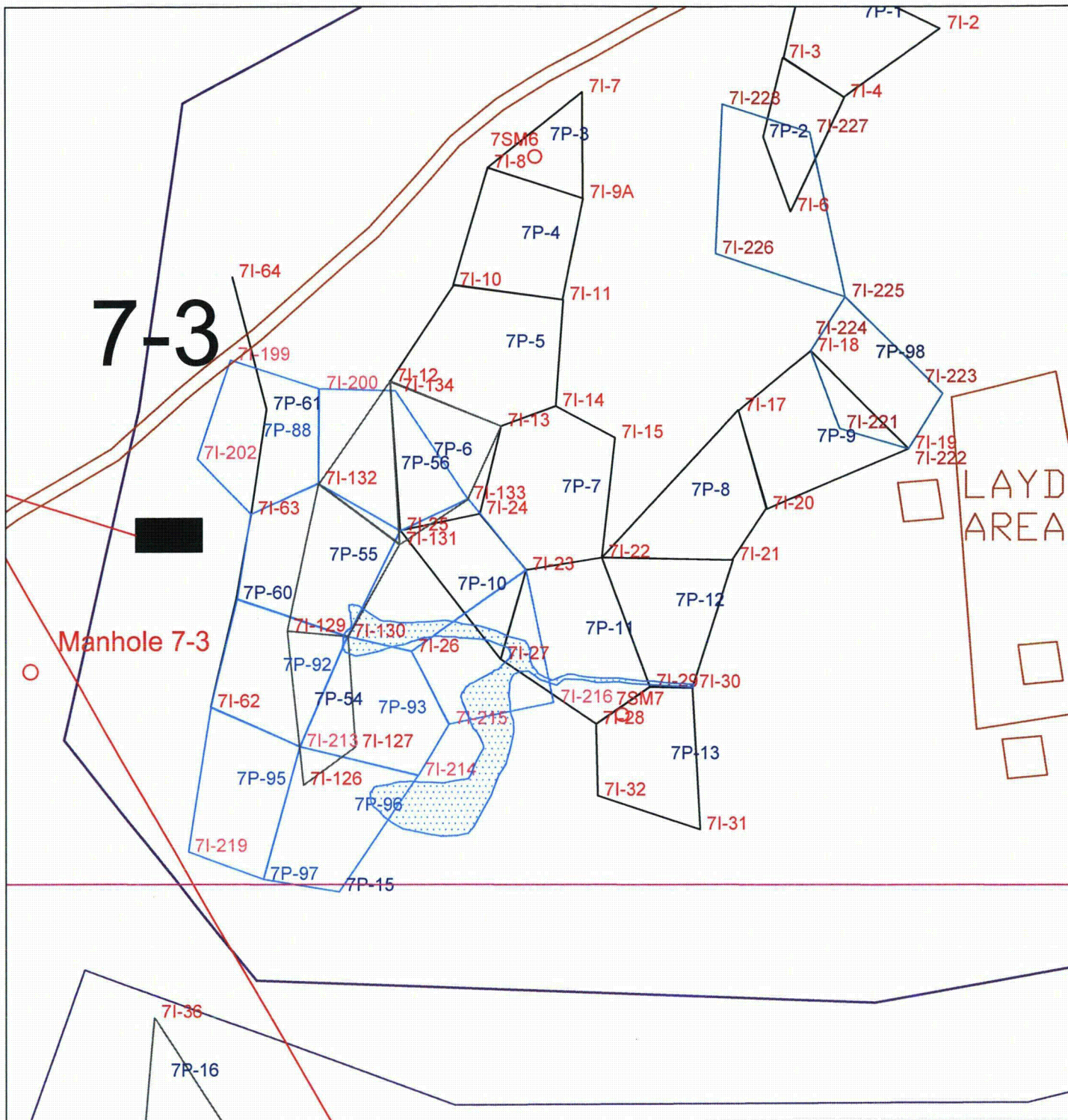
NRC: Blair Spitzberg- Region IV Branch Chief; February 12, 2013 (e-mail)  
Ron Linton - Project Manager; February 12, 2013 (e-mail)  
Linda Gersey – Health Physicist, Region IV; February 12, 2013 (e-mail)

**Map of Spill Location and Impacted Area**

Attached

The location and extent of the spill is recorded in the on-site historical spill file.

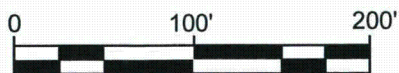




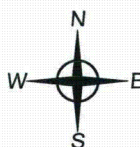
### Legend



Approximate Spill Location



Scale 1:100



\*NOTE: TO INCREASE LEGIBILITY NOT ALL FACILITIES, STOCKPILES, etc., ARE TO SCALE



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Christensen Ranch  
Module 7-3, Well 71-30 Spill  
Permit to Mine #478  
Johnson & Campbell Counties, Wyoming

Date: February 13, 2013		By: CEO		Checked: TAM	
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