



**UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**
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April 9, 2015

Mr. Michael Griffin
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and Environmental Compliance
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SUBJECT: VERIFICATION OF SUFFICIENCY OF THE INFORMATION SUBMITTED RE:
DISPOSAL AGREEMENT FOR ROSS ISR PROJECT, CROOK COUNTY, WY

Dear Mr. Griffin:

By letter dated March 5, 2015 (ML15092A128), Strata Energy, Inc. (Strata) submitted a letter to notify the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) that Strata has entered into a Byproduct Disposal Agreement with Pathfinder Mines Corporation for the Ross In Situ Recovery (ISR) Project. The letter states that a copy of the agreement will be maintained on file for NRC staff's review during inspection. Strata requested that NRC verify that the submitted information is sufficient as language in License Condition 12.5 states that a copy of the agreement will be submitted.

The intent of License Condition 12.5 is to ensure an agreement exists and does not specifically require NRC to review a copy of it. As Strata points out in the letter, operating License Condition 9.9 requires Strata to maintain an approved agreement during the life of the project, be available on site for NRC inspections, and notify NRC if the agreement expires or is terminated. Furthermore, as discussed on the telephone, notifying NRC that an agreement has been executed and that the agreement will be available for NRC to review during the pre-operational inspection sufficiently satisfies the intent of the pre-operational license condition.

Therefore, staff is verifying that the information submitted in the March 5, 2015 letter is sufficient to satisfy License Condition 12.5 as long as the agreement is in effect at the time of the pre-operational inspection and available on site for NRC to review during the pre-operational inspection.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Agency Rules of Practice and Procedure," a copy of this letter will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the Publicly Available Records component of NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

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If you have any questions regarding this action, please contact me at 301-415-0697 or by e-mail at john.saxton@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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