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License Amendment to Construct and Operate Marsland Expansion Area

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Crow Butte Resources, Inc.; Marsland Expansion Area; Draft Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact; Notice of Availability and Request for Comment

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## General Comment

In view of: a) the admitted inability of ISL mining operators to restore a mined aquifer to pre-mining water quality standards, b) the present use of shallow aquifers in the area for agricultural and domestic purposes, c) the increased toxicity of water affected by ISL operations, owing to the augmentation of non-uranium heavy metal concentrations, d) the potential for migration/excursion into other aquifers of the lixiviant/enriched heavy-metal mixture through undocumented communications with other aquifers, and e) the unproven need or requirement for nuclear materials in the future energy economy, leading to a more pessimistic assessment of justifiable risk, this project should not be permitted.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

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