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Docket No. 40-3453

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ATTN: R. E. Blubaugh,
Vice President of
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Dear Mr. Blubaugh:

By letter dated September 10, 1992, Atlas Corporation submitted a report documenting the annual technical evaluation of embankment performance at the Moab Mill, Utah, for the period of July 1991 through June 1992. In that report, your consultant recommended the monitoring and repair of gullies and sinkholes identified on the embankment and in the tailings impoundment. It is recommended that you follow their recommendations to ensure the integrity of the disposal system at the Moab Mill. Also, as has been discussed previously, an amendment request will be necessary to decommission the inactive sumps in accordance with License Condition No. 36 of Source Material License SUA-917.

It should also be noted that the annual evaluation of the embankment performance was not submitted in a timely manner. This situation was previously discussed with you regarding the submittal of the report for the period ending in June 1990. At that time, you indicated that the office procedures which led to the tardiness of the report had been corrected. We wish to request your continued attention to the timeliness of filing required reports.

Sincerely,

Ramon E. Hall
Director

cc:
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