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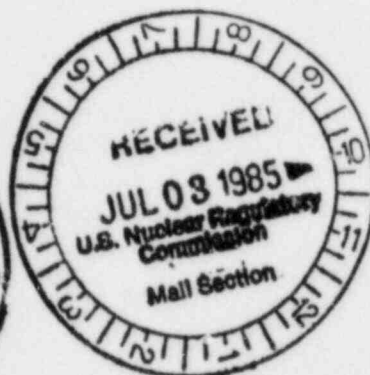
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Mr. Roger Shaffer
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Dear Mr. Shaffer:

We are in receipt of your recent letter commenting on our Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan. We are pleased to learn that DEQ is substantially in agreement with our plan. UNC-Teton will now proceed with its implementation as modified by your comments. Specifically, regarding the plugging and abandonment procedures to be used, UNC-Teton will ensure that they conform to both the Land Quality and Water Quality regulations. We are presently in contact with Mr. Purcel and Ms. McCarty to coordinate this effort.

Regarding well MR-1, UNC-Teton will not reclaim this well until the arsenic situation has been addressed to DEQ's satisfaction. We have taken your suggestions under advisement and are evaluating other alternative courses of actions as well. We expect, however, that resolution of the arsenic issue in MR-1 will not impede completion of the decommissioning plan.

We look forward to working with you and your staff through this summer, anticipating successful completion of the plan by November.

Sincerely yours,

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