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October 17, 1996

BY TELEFAX AND MAIL

Joseph J. Holonich, Chief
Uranium Recovery Branch
Division of Waste Management
Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards
United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Mail Stop T-7J9
Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

RE: Request to terminate Source Materials License No. SUA 667; American Nuclear Corporation's Gas Hills Wyoming site; DEQ Permit 352

Dear Mr. Holonich:

The Department of Environmental Quality, Land Quality Division has received and accepted the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Confirmatory Order for this site. Through this order, the DEQ has confirmed its commitment to reclaim the site pursuant to state and federal law. Since ANC will no longer be performing reclamation at the site, it appears the Source Materials License No. SUA 667 is unnecessary. Based on our recent telephone conference, the DEQ understands the NRC agrees there is no reason to maintain ANC's license, and the NRC is prepared to terminate it.

The DEQ desires that the NRC terminate the license because that action will facilitate the settlement of our claim against American Nuclear Corporation. As you know, the DEQ has demanded that ANC pay the difference between the reclamation performance bond it forfeited and the actual cost of reclamation. While ANC is willing to settle that demand, it is reluctant to do so while it is still obligated to perform reclamation pursuant to the license.

For these reasons, we request that the NRC immediately terminate Source Materials License No. SUA 667. We have informed ANC that you desire a written request from them, as well. We understand ANC intends to comply.

Thank you for your attention.

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Sincerely,

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