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UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

February 10, 1997

Ms. Barbara Dankmyer
Resident Manager
Molycorp, Incorporated
300 Caldwell Avenue
Washington, PA. 15301

Dear Ms. Dankmyer:

We have completed our review of Molycorp's cleanup activities associated with the Findlay property located just north of the Molycorp, Washington site and approve of the actions you have taken to cleanup the offsite contamination on this property. Specifically, we have reviewed the following documents in this regard:

- (1) Your Project Work plan to Remove Off-Site Contamination, dated April 1995;
- (2) Your response dated August 10, 1995, to NRC comments on your Project Work Plan in Item (1) entitled, "Dose Estimates for Removal of Off-Site Contamination;"
- (3) Your response, dated August 18, 1995 (related to a revised Health and Safety Plan), to our comments on your Project Work Plan in Item (1);
- (4) Your "Final Radiological Status Report for the Removal Action Conducted along the Northern Property Boundary of the Molycorp, Inc. Property," dated December 1996; and
- (5) Your response, dated January 28, 1997, to our comments, dated January 3, 1997, on your Final Radiological Status Report in Item (4)

In addition to reviewing the above reports and communications, we have: (1) performed radiological survey inspections; (2) measured gamma exposure rates; and (3) analyzed split soil samples from contaminated areas on the Findlay property. These actions indicate that the previously contaminated property meets applicable NRC cleanup criteria.

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