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Transmittal
Technical Specifications and
Revisions to Final Reclamation Plan
Atlas Corporation
Uranium Mill and Tailings Disposal Area
Moab, Utah

Dear Mr. Gillen:

Enclosed are eight copies of the Technical Specifications for reclamation of Atlas Corporation's (Atlas') Uranium Mill and Tailings Disposal Area. The document was prepared by Smith Technology Corporation (Smith Technology) and includes the reclamation/construction activities necessary to stabilize the mill and tailings areas, and prevent the migration of tailings. A Health and Safety plan is also provided in the document.

As an enclosure to this letter we have included responses to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC's) draft comments on the Final Reclamation Plan. These comments were received by Smith Technology on November 5, 1996. The responses to the comments are presented by first stating the comment as presented in NRC's November 5, 1996, document and then providing Atlas' response. The Final Reclamation Plan text has been revised as a result of these comments and designated replacement pages, where appropriate, have been provided. New slip covers have also been provided for the Final Reclamation Plan (three volumes/covers) due to a typographical error in Atlas' address.

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Atlas hopes that the Technical Specifications will assist the NRC in expediting its review and approval of the Final Reclamation Plan. Please contact me if you have any questions concerning this submittal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "REB for", is written over the word "Sincerely,".

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Enclosures