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MEMORANDUM FOR: Docket File No. 40-8781

FROM: Gary R. Konwinski, Project Manager
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SUBJECT: AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO SOURCE MATERIAL LICENSE SUA-1403

On December 17, 1985, Source Material License SUA-1403 was transferred from Teton Exploration Drilling, Inc. to Central Electricity Generating Board Exploration America Inc. (CEGB). The transfer took place at the Uranium Recovery Field Office and involved CEGB's American contact, a local law firm. Upon CEGB's receipt of the transferred license and a subsequent meeting between CEGB principals and the URFO staff on January 22, 1986, it was determined that the license was in need of further amendment to clarify some issues.

As the license currently exists, CEGB would be required to perform an annual land use survey. Because this action has no relevancy until the facility is constructed and being operated, the staff proposes to modify License Condition No. 19 to suspend the requirement for an annual land use survey until six months prior to commencement of site activity. Similarly, License Condition No. 36 would require the licensee to sample Little Sand Creek water quality on a quarterly basis. This condition should be combined with License Condition No. 26 which also addresses environmental monitoring. The staff also concluded that all environmental monitoring can be suspended at this time with a requirement that it resume twelve months prior to planned construction of the facility. Also, the licensee would be required to submit the environmental monitoring reports specified in License Condition No. 26 upon resumption of the environmental monitoring program.

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All other license conditions were also reviewed during this amendment process and any identified typographical errors were corrected. These corrections did not alter the content or meaning of the license conditions. Based upon the above staff review, it is recommended License Condition No. 36 be deleted and that License Condition Nos. 19 and 26 be revised to read as follows:

19. Six (6) months prior to commencing of mining operations and annually thereafter. The licensee shall conduct an annual survey of land use (private residences, grazing area, private and public potable water and agricultural wells, and nonresidential structures and uses) in the area within five (5) miles of any portion of the restricted area boundary and submit a report of this survey to the USNRC, Uranium Recovery Field Office. This report shall indicate any differences in land use from that described in the last report.
26. The licensee shall, beginning one (1) year prior to facility construction, conduct an environmental radiological monitoring program as specified in Table 4.7 of NUREG-0925. This program shall also include sampling and analysis of Little Sand Creek water quality, quarterly or when surface water is running as described in Section 4.4.1.1 and Table 3.19 of NUREG-0925. The results of the monitoring program shall be reported semiannually to the USNRC, Uranium Recovery Field Office, in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 40.65.

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