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January 28, 1972

Mr. V. R. Atwood
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Dear Mr. Atwood:

Acting upon the statements in your letter to the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) of December 7, 1971, an inspection of the Atlas Minerals uranium mill and the Moab sewer system was conducted December 27 and 28, 1971, by Messrs. G. D. Brown and J. J. Ward of this office. As you were advised verbally on December 27, no evidence was found of excessive contamination or hazard to personnel resulting from the use or laundering of coveralls in the mill.

Samples taken from the Moab sewage disposal plant were analyzed in our laboratories for natural uranium; no detectable amounts were present. Based on our findings, the sludge from this plant can be used safely for fertilizer.

As explained to you by Mr. Brown, the Atlas Minerals Division must conform to AEC standards for releases to the environment. Our latest inspection has shown no instance of noncompliance with these requirements, and there was no evidence that the operation of the mill has created a radiological hazard to the environment.

Thank you for your interest and conscientious concern. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely yours,

John W. Flora
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