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MEMORANDUM TO: Mary C. Muessle, Director
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SUBJECT: Nu Fuel/Hydro Resources, Inc. – Crownpoint Facility Status

In August 2018, Region IV staff performed a self-assessment of the Region IV Uranium Recovery inspection program. During the self-assessment, it was identified that no documentation had been generated by Region IV inspectors explaining the rationale for not performing inspections at Crownpoint after the NRC license for uranium recovery operations had been reissued on February 7, 2017 (ADAMS Accession Number ML16067A087).

Based on the self-assessment, a corrective action was initiated to contact the licensee and confirm Region IV's understanding that no construction activities, preoperational activities, or NRC-licensed activities had occurred since the license was issued. This initial corrective action was documented in a memorandum to the Director of DNMS dated November 19, 2018 (ADAMS Accession No. ML18297A340).

The Material Licensing and Decommissioning Branch committed to annually contact the licensee and review site status with the NRC Project Manager. To plan for the upcoming inspection year, NRC staff contacted the licensee, and the licensee confirmed via email dated May 31, 2021 (ADAMS Accession Number ML21152A188), that no preconstruction or construction activities are planned for calendar year 2022.

The site will be listed in the Master Inspection Plan with a reminder to perform and document this annual status evaluation. Inspections of the site will be initiated once the NRC Project Manager and the licensee indicate that construction, preoperational, or licensed activities are planned or have commenced at the site.

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