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Re: Discharge Plan 55

Dear Mr. Dye:

I would like to confirm our agreement concerning action we will take pursuant to paragraph 23 of our Discharge Plan, which requires that we seek administrative relief on the 1-103(C) standards if they are being exceeded on November 1, 1986. Our first step will be to develop and submit to EID a site-specific risk assessment and a site-specific evaluation of the applicability of the cobalt standard at the Gold Fields Ortiz Mine. Although November 1, 1986 has not passed yet, we believe that we will have at least some apparent exceedances of that irrigation standard in monitoring wells on that date. In anticipation of such exceedances, we have already begun the aforementioned study and will have the results ready for your review by December 9, 1986.

In the meantime, please do not hesitate to let us know if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely yours,


John B. Draper

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cc: Mr. Ernest Rebuck
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