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## United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510–5005 July 24, 2009

Rebecca L. Schmidt Director, Office of Congressional Affairs United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission 11555 Rockville Pike, Room 14F02 Rockville, MD 20852-2746

Dear Rebecca,

Enclosed please find correspondence I received from a constituent of mine in Riverton, Wyoming. I would appreciate your timely consideration of the concerns he raises with respect to uranium sales and China, providing my office with a copy of your response.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I appreciate your assistance.

Best wishes,

John Barrasso, M.D. United States Senator

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Enclosure



July 23, 2009

## Senator Barrasso

RE: Sales of Uranium to China

## Dear Senator Barrasso:

I am the Chief Executive Officer of Strathmore Resources (US) Ltd., a Wyoming based uranium exploration and mining company. We are contemplating working with a Chinese company and have a few questions. It is our hope that you may be able to provide guidance regarding the following issues. Are there any restrictions for a Chinese company to own part of an American corporation that operates a uranium mine and/or uranium mill? Additionally, Strathmore is interested in selling US origin uranium to China and wondered if there were any restrictions.

We are cognizant of the requirement that a United States citizen or corporation must own mining claims under The General Mining Act of 1872. It is our understanding that the United States has signed a Nuclear Cooperation Agreement with China (commonly referred to as a 123 Agreement in reference to Section 123 of the United State Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended), which enables the transfer of uranium.

We would appreciate your clarification and guidance on these issues. Please feel free to call or write me. I can be reached at the number and address below. I appreciate your assistance with this matter and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

David Miller,

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