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In the Matter of CROW BUTTE RESOURCES, INC.
(License Renewal for the In Situ Leach Facility, Crawford, Nebraska)

<u>Docket No. 40-8943; ASLBP No. 08-867-02-OLA-BD01</u>

Dear Administrative Judges:

In its Order dated January 8, 2009, the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board ("Board") directed the NRC staff ("Staff"), commencing on January 15, 2009, to tender each month "a short report advising as to whether the estimated dates for issuance of the final [Safety Evaluation Report ('SER')] (predicted for summer/fall of 2009) and final [environmental review document] (predicted for December of 2009) have changed or become more definitive." The purpose of this letter is to notify the Board and parties that the Staff's final Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Crow Butte License Renewal is publicly available in the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) at Accession No. ML14288A517. If needed, the Staff will provide paper copies of the EA to the Board or any party upon request.¹

With this notification, the Staff plans to cease the submittal of monthly status reports pursuant to the Board's January 8, 2009 Order unless otherwise directed by the Board.

Respectfully submitted,
Signed (electronically) by
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cc: EIE Service List

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¹ Such requests should be made to Counsel for the Staff by telephone or e-mail.

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BEFORE THE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing "NRC STAFF'S LETTER TO THE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD" in the above captioned proceeding have been served this 27th day of October 2014 via the NRC's Electronic Information Exchange ("EIE"), and via e-mail to David Frankel, counsel for Consolidated Intervenors, which to the best of my knowledge resulted in transmittal of the foregoing to those on the EIE Service List for the above captioned proceeding.

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