



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
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SECRETARY

IN RESPONSE, PLEASE
REFER TO: M220422A

MEMORANDUM TO: Daniel H. Dorman
Executive Director for Operations

FROM: Brooke P. Clark, Secretary

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS – A MEETING WITH THE NAVAJO
TRIBAL COMMUNITY MEMBERS OF THE RED WATER POND
ROAD

On April 22, 2022, the Commission met with the Navajo Tribal community members of the Red Water Pond Road. The Commission was provided first-hand accounts from members of the community on the impacts of uranium contamination on the Navajo Nation. Jonathan Nez, President of the Navajo Nation; Valinda Shirley, Executive Director, Navajo Nation Environmental Protection Agency; and Edith Hood, Red Water Pond Road Community Association, each made remarks. The Commission then heard statements from members of the Red Water Pond Road community, the Pipeline community, and friends and allies of the Navajo Nation.

The meeting, which was held at the Red Water Pond Road Cha'a'oh ("Shade House"), New Mexico at 2:30 p.m. Mountain Time, was open to members of the public attending in person.

To give the Commission and the NRC staff additional time to consider the United Nuclear Corporation Mill Site proposal, the staff should not issue the Final Environmental Impact Statement or the Final Safety Evaluation Report until further direction is provided by the Commission.

cc: Chairman Hanson
Commissioner Baran
Commissioner Wright
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