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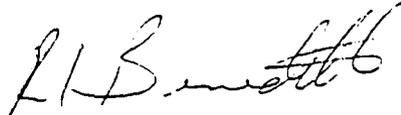
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potential presence of a threatened plant species, and the inability to obtain access to offsite private areas.

Operable Unit No. 5 does not have any FY93 milestones; however, the Draft RFI/RI Report milestone in the first quarter of FY94 will be missed by approximately five months because of delays in starting field work activities. The schedule for OU 5 field activities slipped due to delays in approval of the Work Plan by the regulatory agencies and an extensive and lengthy procurement process.

Operable Unit No. 6 will miss the Draft RFI/RI Report submittal milestone due on August 4, 1993 by approximately nine months. This project is behind schedule because approval of the Work Plan from the regulatory agencies was late by four months. A perceived Organizational Conflict of Interest delayed the OU 6 procurement process for field activities and the project by an additional six weeks. Additional delays were incurred by OU 6 from non-scheduled activities such as the overall procurement process (two months) and Health and Safety Plan approval (two months).

It must also be noted to the DOE/RFO Project Managers that delays in FY93 milestones will have downstream effects in the out years. If you require additional information, please feel free to contact me at extension 8540.



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