



August 16, 2010

Mr. Ray Plieness,  
Director of Site Operations  
Department of Energy, Office of Legacy Management  
2597 B ¾ Road  
Grand Junction, Colorado 81503

**RE: Proposed Changes to Rocky Flats Surface Water Configuration  
Environmental Assessment, dated April 2010**

Mr. Plieness:

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is conducting an Environmental Assessment (EA) for proposed changes to Rocky Flats Surface Water Configuration that includes breaching certain dams on holding ponds on the site. At one time, DOE staff suggested that a Final EA and record of decision could be issued August 2010.

The City and County of Broomfield requests that the issuance of the final EA and the record of decision be postponed until Broomfield and the other downstream communities have an opportunity to meet with DOE, EPA, and CDPHE staff to discuss the possibility of modifications to DOE's proposed changes.

We look forward to your response on our requested postponement of the Final EA and record of decision. We appreciate the opportunity to discuss this crucial decision and to work with DOE, EPA and CDPHE. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Alan King of my staff at (303) 438-6362.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "George Di Ciero".

George Di Ciero  
City and County Manager  
City and County of Broomfield