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Re: Broomfield - Rocky Flats Issues  
Implementation of DOE Commitment  
RMC No. 0331.042.02

Dear Mr. Jones:

This letter is in reference to the 11/19/90 meeting among Messrs. Jones, Ferguson, McGregor, and Schmidt held at your office. The purpose of this letter is to clarify certain points and provide response to some questions which I was unable to adequately address at the meeting.

1. Stream standards: Mr. Glasser, Broomfield City Attorney, informs me that DOE has previously made a commitment to not request a change in stream classification/stream standards above Great Western Reservoir or Standley Lake. While a change in standards is not necessarily of concern to the Cities, Colorado Dept of Health and EPA apparently are opposed to such changes. If there is now some thought of changing this commitment, the change should be processed with the same group which made the initial decision.
2. Utility of GWR: At the 11/19/90 meeting WWE expressed concern that, without changing stream classifications above GWR, there would be limited opportunity to effectively integrate GWR operation with other on-site water quality control plans (such as DOE's Option J). Again, Mr Glasser informs me that integration of GWR into the Waste Management Plan was something DOE would avoid; i.e., DOE did not want to, in effect, create a "Pond B-6" problem. That decision was also made in the Option Review Group and any desired changes to that decision should be made by that group.
3. Ownership and operation of GWR: Broomfield's preference is that DOE own and operate GWR after Broomfield's new water supply is in-place. However, realizing that ownership of GWR by DOE is perhaps unacceptable, Broomfield would be willing to retain ownership and perhaps operate the reservoir, provided the DOE indemnify Broomfield against any present and future contamination of the reservoir. With respect to reservoir operation, Broomfield has requested that RMC prepare a preliminary reservoir operation plan as part of implementation of Option B.
4. Status of RMC: RMC has been retained by the City of Broomfield to provide engineering services in two basic arenas:

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- a. Technical assistance to Mr. Glasser in relation to the grant process and coordination with DOE regarding the Option B concept; this encompasses considerations of both the Standley Lake Project and the GWR Replacement Project.
- b. Implementation of the GWR Replacement Project, and related coordination with DOE, as relates to physical project components; Leonard Rice Consulting Water Engineers is providing services related to water rights considerations.

RMC has not yet been retained by the City of Westminster to provide services related to actual implementation of the Standley Lake Project.

5. Water Rights: Procurement of water rights (if any additional water rights are needed) for operation of GWR (after it is no longer used as a public water supply) is not included in Option B cost estimates. Also, future GWR operation cost is not included in Option B cost estimates.
6. Option B Project Components: It is my understanding from Mr. Glasser that the decision has previously been made to implement Option B, essentially as described in RMC's Technical Memorandum dated 10/30/90. Therefore, it would not seem productive to dissipate our energies to revisit the overall project concepts and components. Instead, I view the task at hand being to proceed to construction per the agreed upon Option B plan and cost estimates. This involves refinements normally encountered in proceeding from conceptual design to construction, but would not involve re-evaluation of overall project concepts.

Please contact me to discuss any of the above. If any of the above is contrary to WNE's understanding or direction from EG&G, we should probably meet with Mr. Glasser and Mr. Bob Nelson to clear up any questions.

Sincerely,

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