



**Department of Energy**  
Washington, DC 20585

December 12, 2016

Mr. Rich Ziegler, Vice President  
Golden Eagle Uranium LLC  
9626 S. Coltsfoot Drive  
Parker, CO 80134

Subject: Request to Return Reclamation Performance Bond Monies

Dear Mr. Ziegler:

This is in response to your letter dated November 17, 2016, in which you requested that the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Legacy Management return the two \$5000 checks posted by Golden Eagle Uranium LLC (GEU) as reclamation performance bonds for exploration plans submitted to DOE for Lease Tracts C-SR-15A and C-WM-17. In your letter, you reminded DOE that the implementation of the approved exploration plans was voluntarily delayed by GEU at DOE's request, to allow DOE to complete its programmatic environmental impact statement process. DOE has reviewed its records associated with the referenced exploration plans and has confirmed that no ground-disturbing activities have occurred at the proposed drill sites located on either tract.

DOE also contacted a representative from the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (DMRS) to advise the agency of your request and determine its requirements for concurrence with DOE's pending bond release. In subsequent correspondence, DRMS confirmed its receipt of a similar request from GEU for final release of the financial warranty for the proposed exploration plans (Prospecting Notices P-2010-008 and P-2010-009) and provided concurrence to DOE for the release of its bonds.

Accordingly, DOE is granting your request; the two \$5000 checks are being returned to you and are enclosed.

Please contact me at (303) 410-4806, or Mr. Ed Cotter of my contractor staff at (970) 248-6056, if you have questions concerning this matter. Please send any correspondence to:

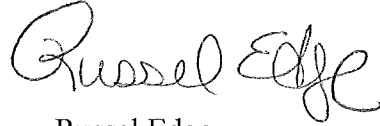
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Office of Legacy Management  
2597 Legacy Way  
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Mr. Rich Ziegler

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Russel Edge". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Russel Edge  
Uranium Mine Team Lead

Enclosures

cc w/enclosures:  
rc-grand.junction (E. Cotter)

cc w/o enclosures:  
L. West, Colorado DRMS (e)  
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