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September 24, 2008

Richard Blubaugh
Vice President – Environmental Health and Safety
Powertech (USA) Inc.
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Dear Mr. Blubaugh:

The department has completed its review of Powertech's uranium exploration permit submitted on July 7, 2008, and supplemental information submitted August 29, September 15, and September 24, 2008. Based on our review, the department considers the application to be complete and filed.

Please find enclosed a copy of the Notice of Filing that you need to have published in the **Edgemont Herald –Tribune** for **two consecutive weeks on October 1 and October 8, 2008**. To ensure that the Notice is published on the above dates, please make sure that the newspaper receives the Notice of Filing by 12:00 pm MDT on Monday, September 29, 2008. If this notice cannot be published on these dates, please let me know as soon as possible so that the necessary correction to the Notice can be made. After the Notice of Filing has been published on the two dates, please forward the "Affidavit of Publication" to our office. The newspaper should supply you with an "Affidavit" at the time you are billed for the publication.

The department will also publish the Notice of Filing in the Black Hills Pioneer, Brookings Register, Capital Journal, Custer County Chronicle, Hot Springs Star, and Rapid City Journal on the above dates.

It will be necessary for you to mail (by certified mail) a copy of the first week's advertisement to all owners and lessees of the surface of the land to be affected by Powertech's uranium exploration operation and mail a copy of the certified mail receipts to our office. If the same individual owns both the surface and minerals, this mailing is not required.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office.

Sincerely,

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