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Energy Fuels Radioactive Materials License Application Deemed Complete: Technical Adequacy Review Begins for Proposed Piñon Ridge Uranium Mill

DENVER—The Radiation Program of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment announced today that Energy Fuels Resources Corp.'s radioactive materials license application is complete. The license is required before the company can construct its proposed Piñon Ridge Uranium Mill about 12 miles west of Naturita, Colo., in the Paradox Valley.

Today's completeness determination triggers a comprehensive technical review by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, which will last between 12 and 14 months, depending upon when certain milestones are reached. Although the application was found to be complete, the department will issue formal Requests for Information to Energy Fuels throughout the process to clarify items and answer evolving questions about the project. Energy Fuels has been notified to expect such requests early in the process related to soil and borrow material characteristics and foundation design. State officials will make no public statements about the technical adequacy of the application during the review period.

Energy Fuels will hold its first public meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 21, at Nucla High School, 225 W. 4th Ave. in Nucla. The company tentatively has scheduled its second public meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 17, at the Montrose Pavilion, 1800 Pavilion Dr. in Montrose. A starting time for the February meeting has not been determined.

The application and related documents will be available to the public at www.cdphe.state.co.us/hm/rad/rml/energyfuels/index.htm and at public repositories located at the following locations:

- Nucla Public Library, 544 Main Street, Nucla, CO 81424, 970-864-2166
- Montrose County Planning and Development, 317 S. 2nd St., Montrose, CO 81401, 970-249-6688

Interested individuals also may register for notification of upcoming meetings, new Web postings and other news at the above Web site.

Public comments will be accepted throughout the review process. People may comment about the application at public meetings to be announced, via e-mail to cdphe.hmenergyfuels@state.co.us, via fax to (303) 759-5355, or by writing to Steve Tarlton or Warren Smith at the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Radiation Program, 4300 Cherry Creek Dr. So., Denver, CO 80246-1530.

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