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GOVERNOR

STATE CAPITOL  
CHEYENNE, WY 82002

April 1, 1998

Robert O. Anderson  
Owl Creek Energy Project  
412 East Park  
Riverton, Wyoming 82501

Dear Mr. Anderson:

I am in receipt of your letter of March 25, 1998 formally requesting my permission to enter into a preliminary non-binding feasibility agreement and study for the Owl Creek Project. Pursuant to Wyoming Statute 35-11-1506 (c), I am denying my permission to proceed with the preliminary non-binding feasibility agreement and study for the Owl Creek Project.

In 1995, the Legislature, after long debate and consideration, outlined a full process for developing rules, conducting the analysis and gaining approval for high level radioactive waste storage facilities. If your project chooses to make a full application, that is your choice and I will abide by the process in the law. While that same law provides for the preliminary non-binding feasibility agreement, it also gives the Legislature's Management Council and me full discretion of whether to allow that process. I will not give my permission for the abbreviated preliminary non-binding feasibility agreement process because I believe it is not consistent with the disclosure, study and debate needed for a high level radioactive waste site.

Best regards,

Jim Geringer  
Governor

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