

The Secretary of Energy Washington, DC 20585

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MEMORANDUM FOR PAUL M. GOLAN

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ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Remediation of the Moab Uranium Mill Tailings Site

When the Department developed the *Draft Environmental Impact Statement*, Remediation of the Moab Uranium Mill Tailings, Grand and San Juan Counties, Utah for the Moab, Utah, Uranium Mill Tailings Remedial Action Project Site, it did not identify preferred alternatives. After consideration of the matter, I have concluded that the preferred alternatives are as follows:

 Active groundwater remediation, as documented in an approved remedial action plan; and

Offsite disposal of the tailings pile and other contaminated materials to the proposed Crescent Junction disposal site, using rail as the primary

mode of transportation.

You are directed to incorporate these preferred alternatives into the final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), and work with the appropriate Program Secretarial Officers to assure timely completion of an adequate EIS.