Box 53 Boulder, Wyoming 82923 August 15, 1972

Dr. Philip L. Randolph Manager, Nuclear Group El Paso Natural Gas Company El Paso, Texas 79999

Dear Dr. Randolph:

With regard to your letter to Mrs. Steele of August 2, 1972, we, the undersigned, wish to state that we were all present at the Wagon Wheel Information Committee meeting on June 24, 1972, and we all heard you say that you had urged the AEC to include the official printed comments of our Committee in the final Environmental Statement, and that the reason the AEC officials gave for not including our official comments was that the covering letter did not make clear that these were the official comments of our Committee. As Mrs. Steele pointed out in her July 1 letter to Mr. Kelly, the title on the printed sheet hardly leaves any room for doubt, nor does the covering letter of April 11 to Dr. Schlesinger.

We have all read Mrs. Steele's letter to Mr. Kelly of July 1, and your letter to Mrs. Steele of August 2, in which you mention "confusion which has existed regarding Committee comments on the Environmental Statement."

We certainly meant no slight to you in that we did not send you a copy of the letter to Mr. Kelly of July 1. We simply assumed that El Paso and the AEC were working so closely together that you would see this correspondence. We also would find it less confusing if you would send us copies of your correspondence with the AEC.

We wish our legislators and state officials to be aware of the fact that we all heard you make these statements

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regarding our Committee comments. We also wish them to be aware that we do not yet consider our comments adequately answered.

Sincerely, Saley N. Mackey Jane H. Johnston Harriett Jorgenson CC:

Governor Stan Hathaway
Senator Clifford Hansen
Senator Gale McGee
Congressman Teno Roncalio
Dr. James R. Schlesinger
Mr. R. E. Hollingsworth, AEC
Mr. J'. H. Rubin, AEC
Mr. W. H. Pennington, AEC
Mr. Gerald W. Johnson, AEC