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Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment issues statement on Energy Fuels court decision

DENVER — The Radioactive Materials Unit of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment today issued the following statement about Denver District Court’s decision about the radioactive materials license issued to Energy Fuels Resources for the proposed Piñon Ridge Uranium Mill in Naturita:

“The Colorado Department Public Health and Environment is reviewing the court’s ruling in the Energy Fuels matter. It would be premature to speculate about our next steps until that review is complete. We will be available to answer questions only after we complete our review.

“It is important to note, however, the court ruled in favor of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment on 10 of 11 of the plaintiff’s claims. The court ruled against the department only on the 11th claim, based upon a conflict in the Colorado Radiation Control Act and state radiation regulations. In doing so, the court rejected all arguments about how to reconcile the conflict and instead fashioned its own remedy. The court also rejected the plaintiff’s claim, raised for the first time in the plaintiff’s opening brief, that the department’s administrative record filed with the court was defective.

“We are pleased that the court agreed with us on these important questions, which included issues about financial assurance, long-term care warranty, air emissions, groundwater quality and other factors.”