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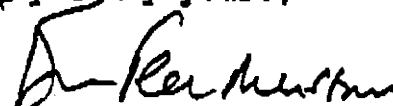
**VIA FAX**Charles H. McCrea, Sr., Esquire  
Jones, Jones, Close & Brown  
300 South Fourth Street, 7th Floor  
Las Vegas, Nevada 89101Re: Nevada Power Co. v. Monsanto, et al.

Dear Mr. McCrea:

Your letters of February 5 and 6, 1991, to John Thorndal have been referred to me for reply on behalf of Monsanto.

The position taken in the defendants' Ninth Circuit brief are in no way inconsistent with the position Monsanto has taken in its insurance coverage litigation. Any attempt by you and your client to interfere with unrelated legal matters of Monsanto would be improper. The suggestions and "arguments" set forth in your letters merit no further response.

Very truly yours,

  
Bruce A. Featherstone

/s/

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