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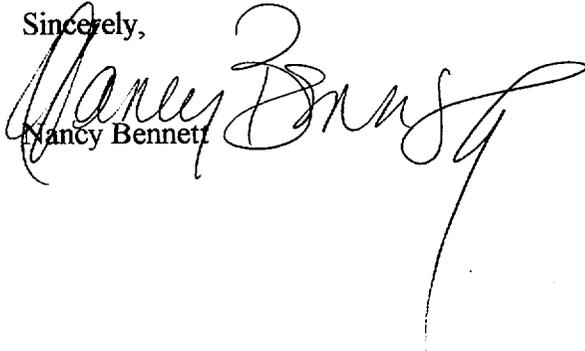
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Dear Secretary:

Regarding your Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on the *Advance Notification to Native American Tribes of Transportation of Certain Types of Nuclear Waste*, I believe that Tribes in the United States have the right to know what is being transported on their lands. The recognition of Tribes as Sovereign Nations is long overdue in regard to this transportation issue.

I suggest an extension of the deadline for the comment period, which currently closes on March 22, 2000. Tribal leaders need the extra time to be made aware of this Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and to prepare formal responses to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Sincerely,


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