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The Secretary, U.S. Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555-0001
Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff

Dear Secretary;

The following comments are in response to your letter from January 2000.

Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians support the proposed amendment informing Native American Tribes of shipments of certain high-level radioactive wastes. We would like the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) to notify Native American Tribes of any high-level radioactive waste, including spent nuclear fuel, prior to transport across boundaries of Tribal lands and ceded territories.

The health and protection of the people of our community are our highest priority. We encourage you to amend the current proposed rulemaking to include Native American Tribes of such shipments, and thank you for allowing us to express our concern.

Sincerely,

Richard Williams (Signature)

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Richard Williams
LVD Tribal Chairman