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Mr. John Greeves Director, Division of Waste Management U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Mail Stop 7J-9 TWFN Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Greeves:

The Michigan Low-Level Radioactive Waste Authority is sponsoring a one-day conference for Michigan generators of LLRW on May 31, 2000. The intent of the conference is to provide an overview of national initiatives concerning disposal site operation and regulatory initiatives, and to provide a working forum for generators and the Authority to identify ways to work cooperatively with one another. The conference will be in East Lansing, at Michigan State University.

I would like to have Jim Kennedy attend the conference as a representative from the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, to provide a status report on regulatory issues that may be pertinent to generators and to be available to answer questions.

The focus will be toward smaller (non-utility) generators, although I expect that the utilities may participate. Specific topic areas are likely to include waste minimization, store for decay, mixed waste. I will be able to provide a more explicit agenda within a couple weeks.

Would you please contact me as soon as possible regarding Jim's ability to attend, so that I can firm up the agenda. Thank you for the assistance.

Sincerely,

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