



WEST VALLEY DEMONSTRATION PROJECT

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Dear Mr. Parrott:

As an important Project supporter, you're invited to be a part of two first-ever events at the West Valley Demonstration Project (WVDP) on May 5 and 6, 2000!

On May 5, Secretary of Energy Bill Richardson may visit the WVDP to certify West Valley Nuclear Services (WVNS) as a STAR site under the Department of Energy's Voluntary Protection Program (DOE-VPP). This designation is a major accomplishment reserved for companies that have demonstrated outstanding safety and health program performance. The day's events are still in the planning stages, but we ask that you mark your calendar to be our guest at the Project that day.

Also on May 5, the WVDP will kick off its 2000 Science Fair and Project Exposition with a Science Fair for high school students and bus tours for students from a number of local schools. Complementing the Science Fair and School Day will be a Safe Kids Fair, which will feature a number of exhibits with safety tips from more than 25 organizations.

The celebrations continue on May 6 with a Project Exposition that is open to the public from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tours will be conducted of the WVDP waste handling and processing facilities for visitors aged 12 and up. Exhibits also will be provided on radiation monitoring, robotic operations, radioactive waste transport and more. The Safe Kids Fair also will be held that day.

The West Valley partners—U.S. Department of Energy, New York State Energy Research and Development Authority, and West Valley Nuclear Services—are proud to sponsor this two-day celebration of accomplishments and progress. We look forward to having you join us.

Please contact Kathy Szlis at 716/942-4799 (or via e-mail at szlisk@wv.doe.gov) to confirm your attendance by May 1, 2000. At that time, we will provide a schedule of events for the May 5 festivities.

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