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Mr. Dwight E. Shelor, Associate Director  
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 Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management  
 U. S. Department of Energy  
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Dear Mr. Shelor:

**SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF THE U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION/U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY TECHNICAL EXCHANGE ON THE EXPLORATORY STUDIES FACILITY**

The purpose of this letter is to transmit the summary for the NRC/U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Technical Exchange on the Exploratory Studies Facility (ESF) held in Las Vegas, Nevada on October 4-5, 1993. The meeting was also attended by representatives of the State of Nevada, Affected Units of Local Government, the Civilian Radioactive Waste Management Systems Management and Operating Contractor and other DOE project participants, Edison Electric Institute, U.S. Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The purpose of the meeting was to hold discussions related to the ESF design and design control process and encourage more effective dialogue between the NRC staff and DOE.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter or the enclosed Technical Exchange summary, please contact William Belke of my staff at (301) 504-2445.

Sincerely,

/s/

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