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C. Nicholas Pereos
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Reference: Yucca Mountain, Nevada Repository

Dear Mr. Pereos:

Thank you for your postcard sent to Chairman Meserve regarding the Yucca Mountain, Nevada Repository. Your correspondence has been forwarded to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission Staff for appropriate consideration. A copy of your correspondence and this reply are also being placed in Agency records on the Yucca Mountain, Nevada Repository.

Sincerely yours,

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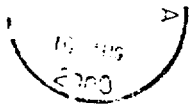

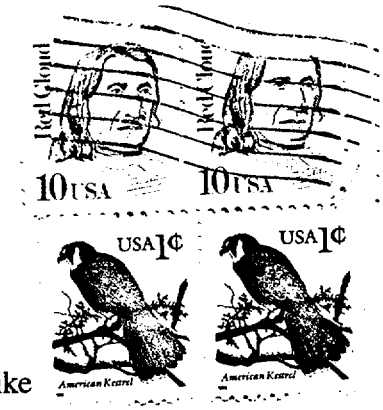

To: Chairman Richard Meserve
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Dear NRC Chairman Richard Meserve:

The formal hearing process that is used in all other NRC plant licensings should be the same for the proposed repository at Yucca Mountain. Changing to an informal process:
(1) gives the appearance that the NRC is doing favors for the DOE, and (2) an informal process will seriously erode the public confidence in the licensing process and the ability of the NRC to regulate.

Sincerely,