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Mr. David Meyer, Chief
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Dear Mr. Meyer:

The purpose of this correspondence is to provide comment relating to establishing of a public documents room for the proposed independent spent fuel storage installation (ISFSI) to be built on the Skull Valley Goshute Reservation here in Utah. On behalf of the Utah Radiation Control Board, I would like to compliment the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for soliciting comment on this very important issue. Establishment of a documents room is consistent with the Board's goal of providing opportunity for Utah citizens to comment on important radiation issues. The Board has two recommendations on possible locations of public document rooms. The first suggestion is to have a centrally located site that can serve the majority of our Utah citizens. As such, the Marriott Library at the University of Utah in Salt Lake City serves this need as well as being equipped to handle the criteria outlined in the Federal Register notice.

The second recommendation is the Tooele County library in the City of Tooele which is the closest possible location to the proposed site. There is a crucial need for residents of Tooele County, including members of the Skull Valley Band of the Goshutes, to have a information repository as close as reasonably possible to the proposed PFS facility.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this important Utah issue.

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