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Richard A. Meserve, Chairman U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission One White Flint North 11555 Rockville Pike Rockville, MD 20852-2738

Dear Mr. Meserve:

I am writing concerning the proposed nuclear waste depository in Yucca Mountain, which is 90 miles northwest of my home, Las Vegas. Specifically, I am concerned about the Site Recommendation Considerations Report (SRCR) that the Department of Energy has been planning to release. I believe the SRCR is, in a word, bogus.

The DOE plans to release the SRCR and hold hearings on its contents before the Final Environmental Impact Statement on Yucca Mountain is completed (currently due in July 2001). In addition, the report as planned will not contain the most current information on the project. Therefore, the DOE will be asking the public to comment on outdated and incomplete information.

I would ask that you use your influence to persuade the DOE hold proper public recommendation hearings after the release of the Final Environmental Impact Statement (that is, after July 2001) and have available in advance of those hearings a draft recommendation package for public review. The draft recommendation report should contain all of the most current information on the project that will also be available in the formal report that is given to President Bush and the Congress.

To all indications, the Yucca Mountain site has been chosen because of politics, not science, and the suspicious actions of the DOE concerning the SRCR have just emphasized that. By saying that the SRCR is inappropriate and is not worthy of public comment, you would be helping to make this process fairer and more above-board than it has been.

Sincerely,

Loretta Kreider

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