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SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF INTERMEDIATE MILESTONE 20.01402.941.120, "ANALYSES AND PREPARATIONS FOR SUPPORT OF PUBLIC OUTREACH ACTIVITY IN NEVADA"

Dear Dr. Wittmeyer:

You submitted the deliverable, "Analyses and Preparations for Support of Public Outreach Activity in Nevada" to Dr. Kotra by your letter dated September 27, 2001. This submission was in fulfillment of Intermediate Milestone 20.01402.941.120. We received the deliverable on September 28, 2001, its due date. The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff has completed its technical and programmatic review of the subject materials. These materials are of high quality and fulfill the requirements of the fiscal year 2001 Operations Plans for the Public Outreach Element. The materials contain no pre-decisional information and are available to the public.

The deliverable consisted of several tasks. One task was the development of a resource list, potential questions, and potential answers to a message mapping exercise for supporting the NRC meeting with Native Americans. Another task was the review of two cultural resources reports to help prepare for the Native Americans meeting. The Center for Nuclear Waste Regulatory Analyses (CNWRA) also developed a draft of a new information sheet for use at the Native Americans meeting. As part of the deliverable the CNWRA updated an existing information sheet to capture recent Agency actions on the Environmental Impact Statement for Yucca Mountain. The CNWRA also provided an electronic copy of the Nevada map prepared for the May 22-24, 2001 public meetings held in Nevada. Finally, the CNWRA supplied 100 copies of the Environmental Impact Statement and NRC and Safety at Yucca Mountain information sheets to the NRC's on- site representative's office.

Both the new and updated information sheets were well-received at the Native Americans meeting. The CNWRA's support during the preparation of the meeting and at the meeting helped the NRC to complete a successful public outreach activity. If you or the author of the deliverable have any questions, please contact me at (301) 415-6674.

Sincerely,

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