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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Subject: Transmittal of Analyses and Preparations for Support of Public Outreach
Activity in Nevada (20.01402.761.120)

Dear Dr. Kotra:

The purpose of this letter is to formally record the completion of Intermediate Milestone 20.01402.941.120, Analyses and Preparations for Support of Public Outreach Activity in Nevada. The tasks that were conducted to complete this Intermediate Milestone are listed below in bullet form.

Support for Public Outreach Meeting with Native Americans:

- Staff provided a resource list, potential questions, and potential answers for a message mapping exercise to help NRC prepare for the meeting with Native Americans.
- A staff member reviewed the following resource materials to prepare for the meeting with Native Americans:
 - Stoffle, R.W., D.B. Halmo, J.E. Olmsted, and M.J. Evans. "Native American Cultural Resource Studies at Yucca Mountain, Nevada." Ann Arbor, Michigan: The University of Michigan. 1990.
 - Stoffle, R.W., J.E. Olmsted, and M.J. Evans. "Literature Review and Ethnohistory of Native American Occupancy and Use of the Yucca Mountain Region—Interim Report." DOE/NV-10576-21. Las Vegas, Nevada: Science Applications International Corporation. 1990.



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- A staff member prepared a draft for a new information sheet, The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission and Safety at Yucca Mountain, Nevada, that describes the NRC mission, role, and regulatory responsibility for high-level nuclear waste and Yucca Mountain, Nevada.
- A staff member helped update an existing information sheet, Role of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission in the Environmental Impact Statement for Yucca Mountain, Nevada, to include information on DOE's supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement.
- Staff provided to NRC an electronic copy of the Nevada map prepared for the May 22–24, 2001 public meetings held in Nevada.
- Copies of the following were delivered to the NRC On-Site Representatives office in Las Vegas, Nevada:
 - 100 Environmental Impact Statement information sheets
 - 100 NRC and Safety at Yucca Mountain information sheets

Additional Support Provided:

- A staff member supported development of new NMSS High-Level Waste website by reviewing format, checking that links and files could be opened, ensuring that clear and understandable English was used, and ensuring that all necessary information was transferred from the old website to the new website.
- A staff member reviewed and provided comment on NRCs communication plan for the High Level Waste Program's Tribal Interaction.

If you have any questions on the material prepared or assistance provided for the meeting or if you require additional hard copies or electronic files of the materials described herein, please call Mr. Michael Smith at (210) 522-6828.

Sincerely yours,



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