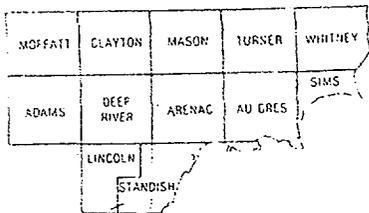


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Resolution # 2002-08

Yucca Mountain Nuclear Waste Site

We, the Arenac County Board of Commissioners passed the following resolution to urge Michigan's U.S. Senators and members of Congress to support the efforts of the U.S. Department of Energy and the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission to establish a permanent repository for high-level nuclear waste by opening Yucca Mountain, NV.

Whereas, over the past four decades, nuclear power has become a significant source for the nation's production of electricity. Michigan is among the majority of states that derive energy from nuclear plants; and

Whereas, since the earliest days of nuclear power, the great dilemma associated with this technology is how to deal with the waste material that is produced. This high-level radioactive waste material demands exceptional care in all facets of its storage and disposal, including the transportation of this material; and

Whereas, in 1982, Congress passed the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982. This legislation requires the federal government, through the U.S. Department of Energy, to build a facility for the permanent storage of high-level nuclear waste. This act, which was amended in 1987, includes a specific timetable to identify a suitable location and to establish the waste facility. The costs for this undertaking are to be paid from a fee that is assessed on all nuclear energy produced; and

Whereas, in accordance with the federal act, Michigan electric customers have paid \$405.8 million into this federal fund for construction of the federal waste facility; and

Whereas, there are serious concerns that the federal government is not complying with the timetables set forth in federal law. The U.S. Department of Energy, working with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission must not fail to meet its obligation as provided by law. There is too much at stake.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that we call upon Michigan's elected officials to support the U.S. Department of Energy and the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission in their effort to fulfill their obligation to establish a permanent repository at Yucca Mountain, NV for high-level nuclear waste; and

Be It Further Resolved, that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the U.S. Department of Energy, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, and Michigan's U.S. Senators and members of Congress.

Moved by Commissioner KIMBALL and supported by
Commissioner ZYGIEL to adopt said resolution.

Yeas: KOIN, ZYGIEL, HAGLEY, HUMPERT AND KIMBALL
Nays: NONE
Absent: NONE

The Resolution was declared adopted.

Dated: March 12, 2002

Tim Hagley
Chairman

Ricky R. Rockwell
Arenac County Clerk

I, Ricky R. Rockwell, Clerk for the County of Arenac, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Arenac County Board of Commissioners of the County of Arenac, Michigan, on March 12th, 2002 as appears of record in my office.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County at Standish, Michigan this 12th day of March, A.D., 2002.

RICKY R. ROCKWELL

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