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Mr. John P. Roberts, Acting Associate Director for Systems and Compliance Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management U.S. Department of Energy, RW 30 Washington, D.C. 20585

Dear Mr. Roberts:

SUBJECT: OBSERVATION AUDIT OF REYNOLDS ELECTRICAL & ENGINEERING CO., INC. (REECo)

I am transmitting the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Observation Audit Report No. 92-03 for the U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management (OCRWM), Yucca Mountain Quality Assurance Division (YMQAD) Quality Assurance (QA) Audit No. YMP-92-04 of REECo. This audit was conducted at Las Vegas, Nevada from November 18-20, 1991. The audit scope was limited to REECo activities in the area of QA records, and did not include any technical activities.

The NRC staff evaluated the YMQAD QA audit to gain confidence that YMQAD and REECo are properly implementing the requirements of their QA programs. The NRC staff based its evaluation of the YMQAD audit process and the REECo QA program on direct observations of the auditors, discussions with the audit team and REECo personnel, and reviews of pertinent audit information (e.g., audit plan, checklists, and REECo documents).

The NRC staff has determined that YMQAD Audit No. YMP-92-04 was useful and effective. The audit was well organized and conducted in a thorough and professional manner with minimal logistic delays. The audit team was well qualified in the QA discipline, and their assignments and checklists items were adequately described in the audit plan. The audit team did not include any technical specialists since the audit scope did not include technical issues. The NRC staff agrees with the preliminary YMQAD audit team findings that the REECo QA program has adequate procedural controls in place, and program implementation is adequate, in the area of QA records.

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Sincerely,

Joseph J. Holonich, Director
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Enclosure: As stated

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